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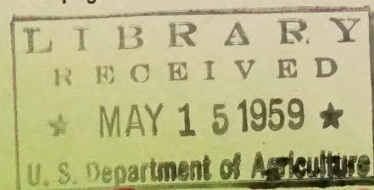
FOR YEAR ROUND IRIS BLOOM



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WORLD'S ONLY COMPLETE AND UP-TO-DATE OFFERINGS IN IRIS FOR YEAR-ROUND BLOOM

IRIS BUYER'S GUIDE FOR 1959

SUPPLYING THE INFORMATION YOU NEED IN CHOOSING IRIS FOR YOUR GARDEN

Remember

Stocks won't last long at these Catalog-Wide Sale prices. So please place your order **PROMPTLY** and order everything you want before supplies of some kinds are exhausted. At these prices, **THE MORE YOU ORDER, THE MORE YOU SAVE!** See page 16.

What Kinds of Iris Will Thrive in Your State?

If you are a beginner with Iris, and have never had the delightful experience of having colorful Iris in bloom almost every week of the year, the question above will probably be the first one you will ask about Iris. And the answer is remarkably simple. All 20 types of Iris will do well in practically every state, except Florida and the damp humid areas close to the Gulf of Mexico. Thus you see that there is no need to restrict yourself to the familiar Tall Bearded varieties. I have discontinued all the difficult-to-grow Iris, so now all of my 700 varieties (except for the Arils on pages 34 and 35) are **BEARDED IRIS**, recognized everywhere as being of the easiest culture.

Most Iris like good drainage and plenty of sun. Thus if you can supply good drainage and sun, you can grow practically anything in this catalog. I purposely include only those varieties and species that are cold-hardy, and can be grown throughout the United States and even in Canada and Alaska. Complete cultural leaflet sent free with every Iris order.

I have many delighted customers in every state. You may be surprised to learn that about a third live in the colder eastern, northern, mountainous portion of our great country. A second third lives in the great South, South Carolina and Tennessee to Texas and Oklahoma. Remainder live here on Pacific Coast, chiefly in California, Oregon and Washington. So I very likely have pleased customers in the very same city or town where you live.

KEY TO DATA TO HELP YOU SELECT AND PLAN

To help Iris lovers and amateur hybridizers, I give the following data in my variety descriptions: originator, year of introduction, season of bloom, height in inches, description, awards, parentage in square brackets, price.

I recommend particularly Iris recently honored by Awards of American Iris Society:

Dykes - Dykes Memorial Medal. (Highest.) JC - Judge's Choice. (Best of the NEW ones.)
AM - Award of Merit. (Next to Highest.) Dykes RU and AM-RU - Runners-up.
HC - High Commendation. HM - Honorable Mention.

☛ - Choice of inexpensive Iris especially recommended for beginners.

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Like to Write?

Each year the magazines **FLOWER GROWER**, **POPULAR GARDENING**, **FLOWER & GARDEN** and various others publish many interesting articles on IRIS written by home gardeners, such as yourself, and merely reporting their experiences, pleasures and methods of growing IRIS, their favorite flower. Most magazines pay well for such stories. If you would like to try your hand at this I'll be glad to help by supplying:

- Names and addresses of the editors of the various garden publications.
- Lists of the most popular varieties in the type or race of Iris you want to write about.
- Glossy 5" x 7" photos that I have taken of some of the best of the varieties in your chosen class, to illustrate your article.

I do this because magazines generally require good pictures to go with each article and most amateurs do not have Iris photographs suitable for such a use.

Sometimes I can supply other interesting highlights and supplementary information to aid you in putting out a very acceptable article. Glad to help whenever I can. If you do not feel qualified at the moment, try growing some of the new, little-known types and races of Iris and you'll soon have something to write about!

Lloyd Austin

How You Gain By Ordering REAL EARLY

1. By ordering in the spring or early summer you are practically certain of getting all of those choice varieties you particularly want, and that may be sold out if you wait. I have large stocks now, but by midsummer I am likely to be out of several dozen varieties.

2. You get generous "Premiums for Early Ordering" if you help me by ordering just as early as you possibly can. What you get even includes your choice of Iris valued at \$15.00 or more, such as the 1959 introduction **Amazing Grace** (page 12), or my new **Horned Skylark** (page 4), or **Horned Rosyred** (page 4). Full Premium schedule is on page 16.

3. You may take advantage of my exclusive "2 for 1" and "3 for 1" SECRET VARIETY offers before my stocks of these 48 choice varieties are exhausted. You just can't beat this game of fun and profit. (See pages 20 and 16.)

4. By ordering before July 1 you may take part in my great 1959 IRIS LOVERS' SWEEPSTAKES, in which you may win Iris worth 2 to 4 times as much as those you order. (See page 16 and bottom of order blanks.)

5. By getting your order in real early, you get delivery at beginning of our shipping season. This insures well-established plants in your garden for finest spring bloom.

SO DON'T DELAY — IT WILL PAY YOU WELL TO MAIL THAT ORDER TODAY

YOU MAY ORDER IRIS ON CREDIT

If you do not have sufficient ready cash available during the spring months to enable you to order as much as you really want and to enjoy all the very substantial benefits outlined above of early ordering, send in your full order right away, anyway. I want to help you get all that is coming to you, in line with my policy: "MORE FOR YOUR MONEY." If your early order is \$10.00 or more it will qualify you to use my low discounted prices all through the catalog, and you will also have all of the other very substantial benefits of early ordering outlined above, and on page 16. Send your payment as your funds become available, any time before July 1.

Don't Overlook These 14 Offers!

MY FAVORITES — You'll find "MY FAVORITE" offers all thru this GUIDEBOOK, at the end of 14 types of Iris. Each year hundreds of letters ask my assistance in selecting the most outstanding varieties and best buys for the year. So, in an effort to be helpful, I'll agree to work out for YOU a select group of my personal favorites of any of 14 types of Iris where you find "MY FAVORITE" heading. In each case I will take fully into account that most people have limited funds, want to get just as much as they possibly can for their money. So I will not include any scarce varieties, but those very choice kinds (all labeled) where my stocks will permit filling your order with a generosity that will amaze you. In fact, I'll GUARANTEE you'll get greater value this way than by selecting varieties yourself under any of my wonderful discount offers. I'm making these collections available in units of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 and \$50.00 to fit all pocketbooks. Take my word for it, and try at least 1 or 2 of these offers, or better, 3 at the very special price; I know you'll be back soon for more. See these pages now: 8, 9, 11, 23, 24, 28, 32, 33 and 35. Any 3 \$5.00 units for \$12.95; any 3 \$10 units for \$24.95.

1959 INTRODUCTIONS

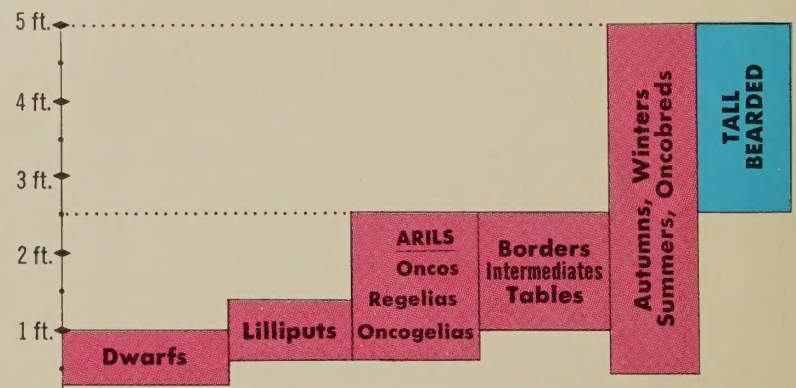
This year my 6 new 1959 introductions (one for poet Geo. N. Rees and 5 of my own) are placed under the respective categories where they belong:

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AUTUMN PRINCESS, **DOUBLE DUTY**, **FALL FLAMINGO** and **FALL SURPRISE** — Autumns, page 25

The descriptions for the above six '59 introductions can be identified immediately as they all appear on this same turquoise background.

In Planning Your Garden Beds — Use This Chart to Select

IRIS TYPES BY HEIGHTS



Note how very limited you are in available heights if you have only Tall Bearded varieties, as shown in BLUE. Rounding out your Iris plantings with other interesting types of Iris makes it much easier and more exciting to plan attractive, long-blooming garden beds. For while you are arranging by heights you are automatically getting various blooming times, as shown in chart on page 3. Arrange your Iris beds with the low Dwarfs and Lilliputs as edgings along paths or next to lawn. Farther back, use gradually taller and taller kinds for the most effective displays and full visibility. Different varieties of the same type vary greatly in height, especially in the twice-blooming Autumns and Winters. See first line of descriptions for heights of individual varieties. The Arils require special culture and are best in a bed by themselves.

COLOR GUIDE To 20 Types & Races of IRIS—The Rainbow Flower

TO HELP YOU PLAN ENCHANTING COLOR HARMONY IN YOUR GARDEN

Find it hard to keep up with so many new Iris each year? Like to know which are the very latest releases in each color class for certain types of Iris? Then my new 1959 COLOR GUIDE to nearly 700 varieties will be an innovation for you. A glance will tell you what you want to know. Each list is arranged by year of introduction, newest varieties first. Or, perhaps you're looking for good inexpensive Iris of certain colors. No need to pore over the long alphabetical listings in this GUIDEBOOK; merely pick some of the older kinds near ends of various lists. To give you the most information in space available, I use the following red abbreviations to designate 20 types and races of Iris, on pages indicated. To lengthen your Iris season be sure to order several types and races, not just Tall Bearded! Index to varieties is on page 35.

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PINKS

TANGERINE-BEARDED PINKS (or Flamingos) - **L**: Crepe Suzette, Party Dress; **Tg**: Pages 6-8; **A**: Fall Flamingo, Beau Catcher, Almond Blossom, Carabella, Pink Lace; **W**: Sunset Pink, Aahne.
ORCHID PINKS - **L**: Gracelle, Chantilly; **Bo**: Pink Ruffles; **D**: Promise, Rose Blush, Cretica; **Su**: Two for Tea; **W**: California Pink; **Ob**: Pink Mohr, Rosemohr, Present; **Og**: Luna, Teucros, Theseus.
PASTEL PINKS - **L**: Sugarplum; **Og**: Ulysses; **R**: Korolkowi Pink.
PINK BLENDS - **L**: Enchanted Lace, Gala.
PINK PLICATAS - **T**: Pink Accent; **Ob**: Master Neil; **Ta**: Precious Gem; **W**: Pink Pinafore.
PINK BITONES - **L**: Gay Apparel; **T**: Easter Bonnet; **A**: Autumn Princess, Gersdorff-Sass, Autumn Sunset; **Bo**: Rose Pearl; **Ob**: Magic Light; **Su**: Summer Surprise.
DEEP PINKS - **T**: Inspiration; **D**: Mist o'Pink; **V**: Pink Marble; **W**: Tournament Queen.

REDS

TANGERINE-BEARDED REDS - **Tg**: Prairie Jewel, Garnet Glow.
RED SELFS - **T**: Bang, Firebright, Moulin Rouge, Privateer, Ylem, Defiance, Frontier Days, Great Day, Ali Baba, Big Time, Rosabella, Spellbound, The Mad Hatter, Pacemaker, Quechee, Solid Mahogany; **A**: Savage, Glowport; **D**: Blazon, Heatherbloom; **J**: Ruby Glow; **Ob**: Mohr Affair, Sikhmoir, New Look; **Og**: Allegria; **R**: Lucia, Vulcanus; **Su**: Ethel Peckham; **W**: Technicolor.
RED PLICATAS, FANCIES & BLENDS - **T**: Brigadoon, Big Ute, Gene Wild, Magic Carpet; **A**: Glowing Amber.
HARMONIZING BITONES & BICOLORS - **H**: Horned Rosyred, Horned Rubyfalls; **L**: Ruffled Apache; **T**: Persian Robe, Coronation Red, Queen's Taste; **A**: Lois Craig, Scarlet Tiger, Thanksgiving Firelight, Joseph's Mantle, Nappanee, Potawatomi, Autumn Flame, Red Ray, October Blaze; **D**: Red Gem, Fior del Mondo; **Li**: Garnet Treasure; **Ob**: Red Joppa, Chenik Aga, Laban Effendi, Zebulon; **Su**: August Indian, Priority; **Ta**: Precious Jewel; **W**: Winter Flame, San Pasqual.
CONTRASTING BICOLORS (Variegated) - **T**: Oedipus Rex, Bold Contrast, Voodoo, High Command, Santa Cruz; **Bo**: Cherry Falls, Rajah, Copper Orange; **D**: Ablaze, Cherry Spot, Veri-Gay; **Ob**: Butterfly Wings; **R**: Red, White & Blue; **Ta**: Crickett, Lodestar.

ORANGE

TANGERINE-BEARDED APRICOTS - **L**: Convention Queen, June Bride; **Tg**: Orange Creamo, Top Flight, Palomino, Temple Bells, Apricot Glory, Apricot Supreme, Melody Lane; **A**: Double Duty, Fall Surprise, Fall Frills; **Ob**: Peach Sherbet.
GOLDEN ORANGE SELFS & BICOLORS - **T**: Mischief, Mohave Gold, Surprise Party, Gold Sovereign, Rocket; **Bo**: Gold Intensity, Orange Twotone; **D**: Burchfield.
SALMON & APRICOT BLENDS - **L**: Carmela; **T**: Well Content, Utah Sunset, Ballet Dancer, Sunset Blaze.

BROWNS

BRONZE & COPPER - **L**: Russet Wings; **T**: Globetrotter, Fortune's Gift, Safari, Bright Gem, Al Borak, Bronze Symphony, Inca Chief, Copper Medallion, Amber Gem, Rainbow Room, Casa Morena; **A**: Ball Gown; **Bo**: Sultan's Armour; **Og**: Persian Bronze, Charon.
BRONZE BITONES & BICOLORS - **L**: Crinkled Ribbon; **T**: Exotic, Golden Crown, Oriental Glory; **A**: Autumn Bronze, Western Hills; **D**: Buster Brown, Little Mohee, Mellita; **Ob**: Bali Agha, Jalla Effendi, Moah, Joppa Parrot; **Og**: Persian Twotone, Isis; **R**: Bronze Beauty, Decorated Delight, Decorated Giant; **Su**: Papoose; **W**: Russian Bronze.
BUFF BITONES & BICOLORS - **A**: Menominee; **Ob**: Kalifa Baltis, Kalifa Gelnare.
BUFF TONES - **L**: Ruffled Gem, Remember Me; **T**: Apache Chief, Chamois; **Ob**: For Sure, Real Gold.
BEAUTIFUL BROWNS - **L**: Caribou Trail; **T**: Huntsman, Dark Chocolate, Mexiglow, Thotmes III, Argus Pheasant, Pretty Quadroon, Golden Russet; **A**: Buckthorn Brown; **R**: Orestes.

YELLOWS

TANGERINE-BEARDED YELLOWS - **Tg**: Flaming Gold, Garden Gold.
ENRICHED WITH BROWN - **T**: Caramel; **A**: Halloween Night; **Ob**: Tatai Pasha.
BRIGHT & DEEP - **L**: Yellow Lace, Ruth; **T**: Rare Gold, Gold Cup, Spring Melody, Foxfire, Solid Gold; **A**: Mishawaka; **Bo**: Valiant Ola; **D**: Orange Glint, Trinket; **Li**: Pigmy Gold; **Ob**: Mohr Velvet, Majnun; **W**: Summer Sun, Arcadia Buttercup.
SOFT & LIGHT - **H**: Horned Skylark; **L**: Limelight, Song of Songs; **T**: Princess Anne, Solar Maid, April Showers, Golden Hawk, Whispers; **A**: Sally Ann; **D**: Moon Gleam; **Li**: Baria; **N**: Thurlow Weed; **Ob**: Imam Salah, Nomohr, Mohr Beauty; **Su**: Fall Primrose, Sangreal; **W**: Springtime Madonna.
PLICATAS, BITONES & BLENDS - **L**: Butterscotch Kiss; **T**: Taholah, By Line, Tabasco, Rodeo; **A**: Mount Timp; **D**: Carpathia; **Su**: Gibson Girl; **N**: Crazy Quilt, Cuba Libre; **Rb**: Saffron Charm.
BICOLORS - **L**: Truly Yours; **T**: Monique, Mystic Melody, Summit, Pinnacle; **D**: Gay Lassie; **Ob**: Imam Ahmid, Imam Jaban.
CREAM - **H**: Plumed Delight; **T**: Ruffled Organdy, Desert Song; **Ob**: Conquest; **Su**: Cupid's Dart.

THE RAINBOW IRIS CALENDAR - TO HELP YOU PLAN FOR CONTINUITY OF BLOOM

There is absolutely no need to be content with the VERY SHORT late spring Tall Bearded blooming season shown in BLUE. Plan your Iris order to get as nearly year-round Iris bloom as your climate will permit, taking full advantage of the various extended blooming periods of other types of Iris, as shown in light RED. Send your orders as early as you can, and not later than Oct. 3 for delivery this year. Blooming time varies somewhat with latitude, elevation, weather and other factors.

Best to send 1st order soon after catalog reaches you.		JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
Main Ordering Period (Before my stocks run low & to qualify for Sweepstakes.)													
Secondary Ordering Period (Still time to plant and get good spring bloom.)											3rd		
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To avoid the disappointment of finding that just the varieties you want most are SOLD OUT, mail that order TODAY, and by AIR MAIL. Play it safe!

Giant Hybrid TALL BEARDED IRIS

World's Finest Selection of Both the Very New

For Bloom in MAY



HORNED ROSYRED — A Delight to Everyone

HORNED ROSYRED (Austin '58) M-40" Everyone has been asking for a red horned iris. Here is the **finest one to date**. A striking red bitone with very prominent horns. Standards pink, flushed golden-bronze. Falls crimson, prominent gold network at harts. Beard heavy, bright yellow, ending in a prominent horn $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 1" long, often curved sharply upward in a most interesting and distinctive manner, as shown in *Ektachrome* above. **Brightest of all horned iris. Most useful of any to the enterprising iris hybridizer.** Pollen abundant, fertile; sets seed readily. Thus you can get the **highly interesting, variable F₂ generation**. Spread of about 6 inches, making it the **largest of Horned Iris**. Tall, splendidly branched. [JS-M-176B x 638] X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$25 order **\$13.35; 3 for \$34.05**

HORNED RUBYFALLS (Austin '58) EM-M-38" A novel horned bicolor, almost a variegata! Standards pale yellow, flushed light red. Falls ruby-red, bright orange-yellow beard, ends in a horn usually $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " long. Pollen abundant. This and Horned Rosyred are the only two red Horned Iris on the market today. [JS-M-176B x 638] X Cherie]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.50; 3 for \$8.95**

UNICORN (Austin '54) M-L-42" This is the original, the world's first horned iris. Depicted in *life-like true color*. Represents **greatest break** in development of an entirely new, highly decorative iris form **that has occurred in last half century** of intensive iris breeding. Customary beards, instead of reposing quietly on falls in normal position, are raised, separated from falls, projecting as striking plumed horns. Coloring is bold, contrasting—brilliant mulberry standards, snow white falls, prominently edged to match standards. Beard is orange-yellow, changing to white and mulberry. Sets seed readily, has abundant fertile pollen. [JS-M-176B x 638]..... Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**



**WORLD'S FIRST
HORNED IRIS**

UNICORN

My Fabulous New Race of HORNED Iris

Ever since the introduction of my first Horned Iris, **UNICORN**, in 1954, the interest and excitement over this new race has continued to mount in all parts of America and in many foreign countries, both north and south of the equator.

"Your three horned Iris, Mulberry Snow, Plumed Delight and Unicorn have thrived and have proved to be both fertile and hardy." Lloyd Zurbrigg, Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

HYBRIDIZING POSSIBILITIES OF THIS NEW RACE

Alert hybridizers thruout the world have been quick to grasp **enormous breeding potentialities** of this new alteration in genes governing iris form. Already the trend to try crossing Flamingo pinks is running out, and is shifting to breeding for better, more constant Horned Iris, in wider range of colors. In this entirely NEW field the surface has hardly been scratched, and **YOU** can accomplish more in a short time here than in any other type of breeding. **The evolution of Horned Iris will be rapid** as the horned character is dominant and has come forth in the first generation of crosses with ordinary iris. This new horned feature is strangely variable. With **Plumed Delight, Mulberry Snow, Wings of Flight**, less often with **Unicorn and Horned Royalty**, horn occasionally forms a decorative spoon at end. Enterprising breeders are beginning to use these particular Horned Iris as starting points for entirely new race of **SPOONED Iris**, surpassing even Horned Iris in decorative possibilities. Better get in on **ground floor!**

HORNED ROYALTY (Austin '58) EM-40" A striking bitone, as my *Ektachrome* shows. Standards amethyst-pink. Falls deep royal-purple, with $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " horn projecting from end of heavy yellow beard. Horns **sometimes spooned**, like a spooned Chrysanthemum. **Pollen exceedingly plentiful.** Be among the first to use it! Try both selfing and crossing. **May yield the first horned Flamingo.** [JS-M-176B x 638] X Fantasy].... Reg. \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

HORNED SKYLARK (Austin '57) ML-52" First horned iris in clear yellow tones. Towers above all ordinary iris. Standards clear light yellow, beautifully waved. Falls nearly horizontal, cream with light yellow edge. **Very prominent, fully bearded, horn**, usually about an inch long. Below horn is a decorative feature—a brilliant yellow band, extending almost to bottom of falls. Beard yellow, a full $\frac{3}{8}$ " wide. **Wonderful for breeding**, an excellent seed-setter—gave several pods full of seed on **each plant** last year. Branching good. Very vigorous, foliage luxuriant, nearly evergreen. [JS-M-176B x 638] X Twilight Sky]..... Regularly \$17.50; on \$25 order **\$12.50; 3 for \$31.90**

"Horned Skylark was a beauty and grew almost to eye level. The horns just did themselves proud." Mrs. Boots Meyer, Fayetteville, New York.

HORNED TWOTONE (Austin '58) EM-M-40" Sprightly twotone, light buff standards marbled lilac. Falls bright rosy amethyst. Beard yellow, ending in a $\frac{1}{2}$ " horn bearded in blue-lilac. Usually 3 or 4 branches. Abundance of pollen, and low price, will make it a "must" for hybridizers. Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

MULBERRY SNOW (Austin '55) L-45" One of most novel color patterns ever seen. Actually a "snow-capped" appearance due to large prominent white blaze at top of fall, around beard. Standards smooth, dark reddish wine. Falls below white blaze intense mulberry, lined in white in a fancy pattern. At end of beard is a prominent mulberry horn projecting out $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. A fine breeder, both as seed parent and pollen parent. [JS-M-176B x 638]..... Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.50; 3 for \$21.70**

PLUMED DELIGHT (Austin '55) M-32" A bewitching yellow cream, washed and veined in greyish lilac, **bordered in pale yellow.** Falls beautifully rippled, stiffly horizontal, much more flaring than those of its sister seedling Unicorn. Horns are usually more pronounced, somewhat more constant. **Beards are yellow and white, extend out along deep violet horns**, which usually project a full half inch from the falls. A violet center line on each fall, under the horn, completes the strange fascination with which this unique flower holds every observer. A very heavy bloomer, frequently producing two or three stalks from a single rhizome. No pollen, but a very heavy seed-setter. **Unsurpassed as a promising parent for really new and startling creations.** Be the first to get started! [JS-M-176B x 638]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.35**

FORMER A.I.S. PRESIDENT KNOWLTON FINDS THE HORNS & SPOONS: "Plumed Delight, a white ground plicata with dark markings, had the longest 'horn' I have ever seen. At the base of the beard a long tongue stood out with a spoon at the tip. Most remarkable." Bul. 142, page 6.

WINGS OF FLIGHT (Austin '57) M-42" A new horned iris with falls so heavily substantiated, so **flaring** the flower seems ready to take off in flight. Standards closed and heavily ruffled, soft pearly mauve and pale yellow. Falls pure white with a one-half inch margin of pearly mauve. Beard yellow ending in a **prominent lavender-white horn**, usually $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 inch long, **sometimes spooned.** The wonderful flare makes horns very effective. Nearly a foot taller than its relative, Plumed Delight. Good branching, vigor and increase. Fragrant. [JS-M-176B x 638] .. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.50; 3 for \$9.45**

HORNED SEEDLING — If you cannot afford the named horned iris this year, get a horned seedling from my seedbed of breeding stock for the price of an ordinary iris..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$3.50**

NOW You Can Begin COLLECTING HORNED IRIS

These intriguing HORNED Iris are **now getting down in price** so that you can easily get several of them and start your own collection this year. Here is the **world's first money-saving collection of HORNED Iris: HORNED STARTER—SPECIAL NO. 28** — The first 3 for **\$4.95**; the last 2 for **\$5.95**; all 5 for only **\$9.95**: Horned Royalty, Horned Twotone, Horned Seedling — Horned Rubyfalls, Wings of Flight.

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MAY and JUNE

USES: Tall Bearded Iris are adapted by height, size of flowers, and by the wide range of colors, for your main colorful displays in late spring. My Supplement gives many detailed suggestions on utilizing these and other Iris.

CULTURE AND HARDINESS: All Bearded Iris are of the easiest culture and will thrive in almost any garden bed. Select a well-drained spot that is at least partially sunny, and preferably in full sun. Well in advance of planting thoroughly mix in some well-rotted manure or complete commercial fertilizer. If soil is at all inclined to be soggy, plant on raised beds or ridges. Space the rhizomes 12" to 15" apart. Cover the rhizome (bulb-like portion) only about one-half inch, but set the slender roots deeply and well spread out. Water thoroughly. Keep moderately moist at least until new growth starts. Best kept moderately moist all summer, but where summers are dry and water is scarce, all Bearded Iris may be left dry all summer. Most varieties are hardy to winter cold. But in cold climates it is advisable to mulch well with straw at least the first winter to prevent frost heaving. If you want the largest flowers, the tallest stalks and the most abundant bloom from well-established clumps be sure NOT to disturb your new plantings for at least three years. But when the clumps become overcrowded dig them up in the summer and break apart, saving the best of the young new rhizomes for replanting. Many additional suggestions in my Manual.

SHIPPING & PLANTING TIMES: July to October for all types of Bearded Iris. (See chart, page 3).

THE NEW RACES OF TALL BEARDED IRIS

During the past decade several distinct and important new races of Bearded Iris have gradually emerged. These have now reached the stage in their evolution where they need to be separated out from the usual Tall Bearded Iris and set up as distinct entities in their own right. Only by doing this can an IRIS GUIDEBOOK expect to serve flower lovers everywhere and enable them to grasp the real nature of the extensive new developments in the limited time most people can devote to it. This 1959 edition of my GUIDEBOOK therefore follows this new method of presenting TALL BEARDED Iris offerings. Below is an index to the races I have separated out.

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In order to accommodate those who need the strictly alphabetical approach, I have this year added to my Index of Unusual Iris (page 35) all Tall Bearded varieties that are NOT in the main alphabetical listing starting on page 12.

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Here's where you'll find new color combinations entirely without precedent — combinations which only a few years ago simply did not exist. Be the first in your neighborhood to display an eye-catching assortment of red or tangerine beards on flowers of various colors.

Tangerine-Bearded WHITES & CREAMS

ARCTIC BLUSH (Austin '58) M-40" A beautiful new white with pristine purity of arctic snow drifts. Stands out for its height, extra large, superbly formed flowers & particularly for its coloration. While most whites have an influence of yellow, blue or lilac, this distinctive creation has a faint, ethereal blush of pink, especially in standards. To harmonize, and indicate modern trend, beard is tangerine. Pollen abundant. A technical fault (high branching) prevents this from being introduced at a high price, & makes it available at once to almost everyone. You'll delight in it just as it is. [Pink Tower X Pink Talcum] Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.75; 3 for \$7.00**

GAY PAREE (Plough '56) M-38" This is the widely heralded gay colorful carnival affair that you've been waiting for — a snowy white self with an overlay of chartreuse gold on upper part of falls. Beard heavy, geranium-red, giving a finishing touch. Branching low, excellent. In great demand, so get your order in early! Already the parent of some startling seedlings. Fertile both ways. HM'56 [(Hall Pink Sdlg. x The Capitol) X (Loomis Pink Sdlg. x Golden Eagle)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**

LINA BETH (DeForest '54) M-36" A huge, yet very lovely white delicately tinted in pink, with a surprising pale pinkish-yellow beard. The large crisp flowers will measure up to 7", which is unusual size from pink breeding. Standards wide, hafts clean, falls wide and flaring. Has what it takes to stand up in bad weather. Branching excellent. Unusual. [Alona x Hall's 42-10) X (Spindrift x 6-44)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

TANGERINE SNOW (Austin '57) M-36" One of the few Tall Bearded possessing the often-sought small flowers delightfully adapted to certain arrangements and bouquets where ordinary Iris seem too large. A pure white with bright tangerine beard. Note parentage contains genes for both size and lacing. [Cloudcap X Party Dress] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

Tangerine-Bearded REDS

GARNET GLOW (Sass '51) ML-36" A "break" in Iris color combinations. The first bright rosy red self with rich red tangerine beard. Striking large flowers of heavy substance with flaring falls, a smooth finish. Really unusual. Has abundant pollen and may yield seedlings in pink, buff or red. HM'52 Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

☛ **PRAIRIE JEWEL** (Sass '53) ML-38" Has the most novel coloring of any of the red-bearded Iris. Standards done in apricot with a purple glow; falls sharply contrasting, dahlia-red, with a vivid red beard and apricot haft markings. This unexpected combination of color holds one spellbound with the fascination of the unusual. A large flower with well-domed standards and broad falls, giving a gleaming jewel-like finish. Tall and well-branched. A promising parent. HM'53 [Involving Ola Kala, Dore, Matula, Flora Zenor, Rainbow Room, etc.] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

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Tangerine-Bearded YELLOWS

FLAMING GOLD (Austin '57) M-L-42" Hybridizers and fanciers alike have long envisioned a yellow Iris with a tangerine beard. This one stands out as being eminently worthy of dissemination. Will be enjoyed, marveled at, by people everywhere. Standards creamy yellow, with vaguest hint of pink. Falls glistening light yellow with deep yellow hafts, a large brilliant orange-tangerine beard. Tangerine beard even more striking against yellow ground than against customary pink ground. Standards nicely closed, falls semi-flaring, gently waved. Branching excellent. Will stop your neighbors in their tracks. [Cloudcap X Hi-Time] See front cover. Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

GARDEN GOLD (Hall '56) M-36" A large full flower in solid deep chrome-yellow extending thruout the flower except for a startling fiery orange-red beard. A splendid accomplishment for Mr. Hall and greatly admired. Should prove wonderful for crossing with my new Flaming Gold to obtain the ultimate in red-bearded yellows. HM'58 [Hall 50-04 X May Hall] Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

Tangerine-Bearded BLUES and PURPLES

☛ **BLUE ABALONE** — The only blue with tangerine beard. Oncobreds, page 29.

COLOR RIOT — A riotous contrast of rose and crimson-purple, orange-red beard, p. 28.
MARSALA (DeForest '48) ML-34" A beauty. An improved Pagan Princess, deeper color with a beard more of a reddish-orange. Flower is fuller and falls broader, especially at hafts, close to 2" wide. Bright Persian Rose coloring attracts visitors from afar. [Sister of Color Carnival] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**



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← **BENTON OBERON**

BENTON OBERON (Morris '52) ML-34" My color plate shows the exceptional brightness and arresting color scheme of this one that I imported from England. Courtly and trim flower in bright fuchsia-heliotrope with a very prominent, contrasting beard in bright red-tangerine; of good size and fine substance. Heaviest bloomer of Benton series **\$5.00**; on \$10 order **\$3.50**; **3 for \$9.45**

COLOR CARNIVAL →

COLOR CARNIVAL (DeForest '49) EM-36" Stop traffic with a flamboyant Iris; plant **COLOR CARNIVAL** where passersby can get a look at it! You'll have a flower that will stop people in their tracks. One you are bound to have sooner or later. Sets seed, pollen fertile. HM'50 [Spindrift X ((Salar x Sandia) x Prairie Sunset)] **\$2**; on \$10 order **\$1.75**; **3 for \$4.30**

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FLAMINGO PINKS with Tangerine-Beards

ANNETTE (Hall '55) M-34" An intriguing color—a tawny deep rose, with a coppery cast. Center aglow with intense red beards. Nicely ruffled flower, having a crisp look. HM'56, JC'57 [(Sunray x Dolly Varden) X Mary Randall].....

Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**; **3 for \$6.70**

★**ANTHEA** (Corey '53) M-36" A ruffled semi-flaring flower in a most interesting shade of salmon pink, having excellent color value in the garden. Blooms of good size, substance and quantity. Particularly useful since it has a long period of bloom. HC'51 [Pink Salmon X Pink Formal].....

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BALLERINA (Hall '51) M-36" Extra large ruffled pink. Petals are wide, thick, the form ideal, remarkably lasting. A medium-light pink with an attractive luster, a deep tangerine orange beard. Fully cold hardy. HM'51; AM'53 [Cherie X Floradora].....

Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.10**; **3 for \$3.15**

★**BENTON OPHELIA** (Morris '51) ML-36" A delicately lovely flower of fine size and form. Light, rosy flesh pink deepening at the throat. Falls highlighted by bright apricot beard. Falls semi-flaring, of great substance; no venations or shading to mar the beauty. Bronze Medal '50 Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65**; **3 for \$4.20**

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BENTON CORDELIA (Morris '42) Here is a Dykes Medal winner (English Dykes 1955) that you can get and be quite exclusive, with a top notch Iris that is hardly offered anywhere else in America. Many will want it for their Dykes Medal collections, so better order right away. An innovation among pinks, and different from any American variety. Dark mauve buds open to a milky orchid-pink, with deep rosy-tangerine beards. Delicate and pure as a jewel, with faultless poise and form, yet it grows robustly to a good height. A stalk of Benton Cordelia shimmering in the sun is a sight of utter loveliness! [Benton Petunia X Radiation] Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

BRIGHT FUCHSIA (Austin '57) ML-40" Brightest of my fuchsia colored pinks, of extra large size. Flowers copiously formed. Standards arched, meeting, having an embossed pebbled effect around edges. Might be called a very much improved Fuchsia, with a much smoother, brighter flower and a redder beard. Whereas Fuchsia is usually only 24" to 30" high, this new one is up to 42", makes a much brighter display. Plenty of pollen for hybridizing. Parents as famous as they come. [Cherie X Pink Formal].....

Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.95**; **3 for \$22.80**

★**CHERRY FLIP** (Schreiner '51) E-34" A real color gem, among the pinkiest of Flamingos. A soft enamel sheen, a fiery tangerine beard give it distinction. Most effective as a landscape subject. Very free blooming. [(SQ51 x Mulberry Rose) x SQ70) X D. Hall 4205] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**; **3 for \$2.85**

CLOUDCAP (DeForest '50) EM-40" I have reports from six states — Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oregon, California and Tennessee — all agree this is the largest, tallest and one of the best tangerine-bearded pinks. The giant blooms will often measure up to 7 inches. A delectable, slightly ruffled blossom pink, with wide closed standards and broad falls with an enormous tangerine-red beard. Remarkable seed setter. Pollen abundant, very fertile. Cloudcap is the finest Flamingo seedparent I have ever used. It was the seedparent for 3 of my 1957 introductions, Flaming Gold, Tangerine Snow and Rose Delight, a yellow, a pure white, and a raspberry-pink, all with tangerine beards. HM'51; AM'53 [SQ72 X 6-44] See Ektachrome Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.45**

DAWN PINK (Nesmith '53) ML-38" Even deeper in color than Courtier. The bright color has great carrying power. Many visitors claim this to be the pinkiest Iris in the garden. A bitone, standards clear shell pink, falls deeper azalea pink, nonfading. Beard red-tangerine. A very heavy bloomer. HC'52, HM'53 [(Barbara Luddy x 43-25A) X Courtier]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65**; **3 for \$6.75**

DOLLY VARDEN (Hall '50) M-34" The largest pink in the famous Hall flamingo series and one that will often get into competition with Cloudcap in the matter of size. Is much more flaring. A very pleasing blended pink with an overlay of salmon. Proving to be a good parent for large pinks. Is seed parent of several fine new pinks including May Hall. [Fantasy X Courtier]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.80**

FALL FRILLS — Frilliest twice-blooming Flamingo. See Autumns, page 26..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.95**; **3 for \$7.95**

FANTASY EM-30" See in full color. Has a tendency to rebloom in fall. Pollen parent of Cherie and Fuchsia Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

FLAMINGO BAY (Muhlestein '53) EM-36" Certainly among the best of Tell's famous strain of new pinks. A vivid deep flamingo self, with a deep tangerine beard. Flower large with fine form and substance. [Cherie X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**; **3 for \$8.55**

FLIRTATION (Benson '56) M-38" This is for those who want lots of color in their pinks, as it is perhaps the deepest pink yet. A luscious intense deep pink self with a fiery red beard. Flowers large, of good substance and with clean hafts. Stalks sturdy, branched. A rapid increaser. The intense color stands fast thruout the life of the flower. Already proving a fine parent; produces heavily ruffled and laced pink offspring. HC'50; HM'56 [Involving Pink Formal and Hall Sdgs.] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65**; **3 for \$18.95**

★**FUCHSIA** (Hall '51) EM-34" One of most vivid of the new pinks. A striking deep raspberry-pink or fuchsia, with a very thick beard, almost red. A self of quite uniform coloring and with nice flaring falls, slightly waved. Has a strong tendency for blooming in fall as well as spring. HM'53 [Tally Ho X Fantasy] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**; **3 for \$3.85**

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✱ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** (Hall '52) EM-ML-36" Close to the top of Dave Hall's creations. Imagine a flower in the deep rich coloring of Heritage but twice as large. Flowers are beautifully ruffled. Has lots of vigor, will form a heavy blooming clump for you in a hurry. Very long blooming season. AM'54; RU-Dykes '57 [From Hall flamingo pinks].....

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JUNE MEREDITH (Muhlestein '54) ML-36" My favorite! Believed to be the pinkest flamingo to date, and acclaimed by many for its depth and purity of color. A heavy tangerine-red beard adds greatly to the effectiveness of the bright coloring. One of the few real advances in deep flamingo pinks. Flowers large, with broad petals and excellent form and substance. Pollen produced profusely. You can't go wrong on this charming, richly colored pink. JC'55; AM'56; RU-Dykes'58 [Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment].....

.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**
MARY RANDALL (Fay '51) M-36" Most sought of all Flamingo pinks. Popularity climaxed by winning Dykes in '54. A deep rose pink self with a bright red-tangerine beard. A splendid break in color termed Bengal Rose. A large flower with remarkable thickness of petals, hafts wide, free from markings, falls round, flaring, with a rippled edge. A flower of near perfection on strong stalks with well-spaced branches. Superb for hybridizers; pollen amazingly fertile. Produces wonderful seedlings. [New Horizon X (Pink Cameo x Cherie)].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$12.10**

MAY HALL (Hall '54) M-36" Introduced as the very finest pink among the long line of flamingos produced by this famous hybridizer, David Hall. Color clear and bright—a light pink near that of Happy Birthday, but with different form and vivid tangerine beard. Very close to a true pink, but slightly on the salmon side. A good seed-setter and much in demand. Fine branching. JC'55; AM'56. [Dolly Varden X 49-13].....

.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**
MEMORIES (Sass '53) ML-35" One of the loveliest of the many Sass introductions. A beautiful light salmon pink with a full pink beard. Flowers large with broad heavy substantiated petals and excellent form. HM'53 [Pink Sails X Cotton Candy].....

.....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**
MEMPHIS BELLE (Pierce '52) EM-36" A bright raspberry-rose-pink of great garden value, with a bright tangerine beard. Its extreme floriferousness is its crowning virtue. Makes a gorgeous garden clump. Characterized by Mrs. Reynolds as "The largest, tallest, lushest pink I've seen. It is so lusty, in fact, that it should be divided every year to keep the blossoms from crowding just as you thin peaches." Will brighten up your garden in a hurry. HC'51; HM'52 [Fantasy X Pink Cameo]...Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.00**

MISSION ROSE (Bro. Charles '55) ML-36" A seedling of Mary Randall that is a definite improvement on its illustrious parent, with a brighter and better old rose color and taller stalks with more flowers. Falls lighter in the center and adorned with bright red beard. Substance good; a strong grower, producing perfectly branched stems. In heavy demand. [Mary Randall X D. Hall pink sdg.].....

.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.75; 3 for \$10.70**
MISS UTAH (Wallace '56) ML-34" A very pale pink self that is almost a white with a suggestion of light orchid tones. Beard strawberry-tangerine. Has the finest ruffling and fluting found in this class. Has great breeding possibilities. Pollen good. [Cathedral Bells X Crosby No. 52-6].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$12.75; 3 for \$36.35**

NATIVE DANCER (Fay '54) M-37" A frequent award-winning light peach-pink of lovely form and a pink-tangerine beard, heavily substantiated and broad petaled. Vigorous and fully winter hardy. Well branched with 12 flowers to the stalk. JC'56; AM'57 — [F₂ of Pink Cameo x I. pallida] X Mary Randall].....

.....Regularly \$5.00 on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.05**

ORIENTAL PEARL (Lyon '56) M-38" A light medium orient pink with a flush of coral pink, brushed spinel pink in the center. Beard contrasting deep mars orange. Greatly admired by visitors and will be eagerly sought. Beautifully branched from low down, four branches and terminal. Sets seed. HC'55; HM'57 [(Spindrift x Hall pink sdg.) x Carabella] X Pink Formal].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.35**

PAGAN PRINCESS M'38 See in full color. Large, well formed. Known to yield startling offspring. Often re-blooms. Fertile both ways. Regularly \$1; on \$10 order **90c**

✱ **PARADISE PINK** L-32" The pinkest \$1.00 Iris and one no beginner should pass up. Beard red-tangerine.....Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

✱ **PARTY DRESS** — Frilliest, laciest of all Flamingos. See Lacy Lovelies, Page 11.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

PIANISSIMO (Edmison '54) M-35" A new break in color, somewhat like the remarkable Palomino. Standards pale peach; falls white bordered with an amber-peach band, sporting a white beard tipped with peach. A beautiful pastel. Try placing it with whites or pale blues, and watch its lovely color sing. Petals lightly laced. Abundantly fertile.....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

✱ **PINK CAMEO** E-36" Luscious salmon pink, tangerine beard.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

PINK CAVALIER (Wallace '55) 50" A tall, showy, reddish-salmon-pink, with a flaming strawberry-red beard. Buds intense red-salmon. Flowers 5½" to 6". Many of blooms meet one at eye-level. Imagine what this may do in improving the height and branching in your breeding. Has lace-edged Midwest Gem in its pedigree! [(Hall's 41-10 x Midwest Gem) X Orange Pink Seedling].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

PINK ENCHANTMENT (Muhlestein '54) E-M-34" Deepest and truest in color of any pink I have seen. Not as large as June Meredith, or Pink Fulfillment, nor as well formed; but the color alone will simply bowl you over. A brilliant cerise pink beard adds to the already stunning color. Proving a remarkable parent for deepening the pink color in seedlings. Holds its deep color well in the sun. Has already yielded the enchanting Frosted Lace. JC'55; AM'57 [Raspberry Ice Cream X 49-11]...Reg. \$22.50; on \$30 order **\$17.95**

✱ **PINK FORMAL** E-L-40" Finest dollar pink with red beard. Outstanding for color, substance and seed-setting ability. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

PINK FULFILLMENT (Muhlestein '54) ML-38" Tell's fabulous flamingo, winner of the '54 President's Cup, and so scarce and in such heavy demand ever since that this is the first year I have been able to catalog it. Even now I advise ordering the day this catalog reaches you. A pink that sets a new standard for size, substance, quality and real beauty. Full round, flaring flowers with broad, heavily-substantiated petals. Comes from the world-famous Pink Formal, but is a truer pink and has finer quality and substance. Proving to be one of the most remarkable breeders for superb new pinks ever known. The one cross "Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment" has already yielded at least three very outstanding Iris: June Meredith, First Curtain and Late Apricot. Now it's your turn to get in on the excitement! HM'54; AM'56 [Involving Gold Ruffles, Alice Harding and Type Dore].....Regularly \$22.50; on \$30 order **\$20.25**

PINK SENSATION (Hall '48) VE-33" A true, delicate light pink, sporting a bright orange-red beard. Novel lacinated petal edges. Extremely early. Tops for hybridizers. HM'50; AM'52 [Pink Seedling X Courtier].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **90c**

You'll be wise to stock up quickly at these unprecedentedly LOW Sale prices. If possible, get your order in during the EARLY Spring, while all stocks are still plentiful. By late May or June some of the choicest varieties are likely to be running low and may become sold out. **7**



STRATHMORE — From England — \$3.50

PINK SYMPHONY (Austin '57) M-38" Very best of my softly colored flamingo seedlings. Surpasses most flamingos in both effectiveness and size, being 5½" high. Like a greatly improved Strathmore. Imagine a flower nearly twice the size, with a scarlet-tangerine beard much brighter, larger, more prominent as it curves out onto fall much farther than in most varieties. Has yellow hafts, intensified on both sides of brilliant beard. Substance very good, retaining precise styling for a long period. Stems tall, two or three branches and terminal flowers. Pollen abundant. [Pink Sensation X Nelson No. 47]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.95; 3 for \$17.70**

PINK TALCUM ML-46" Stunning peach-blossom pink, red beard, 6" spread..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30**

★ **PINK TOWER** — One of tallest, largest of Flamingo Pinks. Bright geranium red beard. Sets seed, fertile pollen..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

PRETTY PINK (Murray '56) M-37" A very large, wide light rose pink with a deep pink beard. Falls flaring. Standards closed. Stalks tall, exceptionally well branched with many flowers to the stalk. [Golden Eagle X Spindrift x Pink Cameo]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

RADIATION E-32" A vivid raspberry or orchid pink; beard deepest red-tangerine. Exceptionally large, with domed standards, semi-flaring falls. HM'48; AM'50..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

ROSE DELIGHT (Austin '57) EM-40" Attractive bright fuchsia-pink characterized by falls with pale yellow hafts decorated with soft golden brown veins. Standards nicely cupped and closed. Falls semi-flaring, held stiffly in position by very good substance. Beard red-tangerine. Good pollen. [Cloudcap X Courtier]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

ROSE SAILS (Pierce '55) 36" A very pleasing seedling of Memphis Belle, it is more rose in color and with the same fine growing habits. Standards closed, falls very flaring. Highly praised by the experts. HC'53; JC'58 [Memphis Belle X Twilight Sky]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$13.55**

STRATHMORE (Morris '49) EM-32" A flower of remarkable purity and trueness of color. Exceptionally smooth, precise styling. A good seed-setter and pollen parent. Very high among desirable parents in breeding flamingo pinks, to bring in fresh blood from overseas. Personally selected by H. M. Queen Mother Elizabeth and named for her own home. [Edward of Windsor X Hall Pink seedling]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95**

TANGERINE CARNIVAL (Austin '57) ML-34" At last, an Iris that outdoes Color Carnival in real attention-getting ability. Read what Lloyd Zurbrigg says below. Resembles ever-popular Marquita, but in a modern version with a bright tangerine beard. Standards and falls light pink. Falls almost completely covered with purple veins, giving a highly distinctive effect. Branching good, plenty of pollen. [Color Carnival X Clasmont]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.95; 3 for \$18.75**

"My favorite of your introductions at the Convention display was your Tangerine Carnival, a vastly improved Color Carnival. It was outstanding for form and the netting of colour covered the entire fall." Lloyd Zurbrigg, Kingston, Canada.

TRULY FAIR (Plough '56) E-L-46" A wide full flower in bright medium pink, with an intense red-tangerine beard. Has many good qualities, including long-lasting flowers. Will make a beautiful clump in your garden. HM'56 [Cloudcap X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

WIDE AWAKE (Lapham '53) M-36" Probably the most stunning of all the new pinks, from the viewpoint of its huge flame-scarlet beard. Here is an Iris that will make a conversation piece in any garden. A beautifully formed light buff pink; slightly ruffled; excellent texture and substance. HM'53 [(Premier Peach x Isabellina x Spindrift) X Paradise Pink]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

WINGED FUCHSIA (Austin '57) ML-42" A bright fuchsia-pink self with a red-tangerine beard. Falls so heavily substantiated they flare out like the wings of a bird in flight, giving the flower a six inch spread. A clump of Winged Fuchsia is so bright and colorful that it stands out across the garden and attracts everyone's attention. The horizontal falls are beautifully waved and have a quaint dip in the center. You'll love this one! Pollen very abundant. [Radiation X Pink Formal] Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.95**

Tangerine-Bearded APRICOTS

★ **APRICOT GLORY** (Muhlestein '51) M-L-36" A clear rich apricot, deepening at heart of flower. Color purest imaginable. Substance heavy, falls nicely flaring. An excellent parent. Seedlings range from white with red beards to shades of pink, salmon, apricot with orchid undertones and the real break—pure oranges. AM'53 [(Golden Eagle x Hall's 40-24) X Gay Orchid]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65; 10 for \$10.00**

APRICOT SUPREME M-40" A large rich gleaming apricot-pink; full beard of deep geranium pink. Well formed. Stalks tall, extra fine branching, luxuriant foliage. Fertile pollen, sets seed, even crossing with Arils..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

MELODY LANE (Hall '49) EM-36" See in full color, page 7. Ideal for adding an entirely new color note to YOUR Iris Rainbow. Pleasingly fragrant. A splendid seed setter, exceptionally fertile pollen. HM'50; AM'52..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

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ORANGE CREAMO (Muhlestein '53) ML-38" A luscious apricot-orange color gem of very heavy substance, satiny finish. Very close to the true orange, a color that carries very well. Superb blood for pinks and new rose-orchid shades, as well as orange tones. No haft markings, beard orange. HC'52 [(Salmon Shell x Pink Formal) X Apricot Glory]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

PALOMINO (Hall '52) E-M-36" Color pattern so distinct it stands out. Standards coppery pink sharply contrasting with ivory falls prominently bordered in coppery amber. Beard rich red-tangerine, bright as a bonfire, wonderfully effective against ivory falls. A huge Iris of splendid form and substance, with such a marvelous color effect that it will indeed transform any garden. Some feel that the Flamingos are too much alike but Palomino has no counterpart. To see it is to want it! My color picture shows you why. AM'54; RUDykes '58 [Hi-Time X 46-31]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

TEMPLE BELLS (Hall '52) M-36" Extra large flower like famous Hi-Time, but larger, without the salmon. Heavy reddish-orange beard sets itself apart as most stunning apricot-yellow of our generation. Interests hybridizers, as it is from Dolly Varden, one of largest of Flamingos. HM'52; AM'54 [Fuchsia X Dolly Varden]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.80**

TOP FLIGHT (Hall '53) M-34" A luscious smooth apricot pink that wins the praise of every visitor. Beard fiery orange-red, very thick and heavy. Plant this where you will, then watch your visitors congregate. Indescribably beautiful. Near top in BOTH 1955 Awards of Merit and Judge's Choice. [Hall pink lines]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

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BENTON OLIVE (Morris '49) E-M-36" A very popular novelty in **silvery olive-buff**. I imported this from England as there are none like it in this country. A subtle new coloring proving **very useful to arrangers. Enough green in its makeup to cause it to be used by every hybridizer working toward greens.** Very good pollen. Sometimes blooms in Autumn. **Color plate at right.**

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***BLUE PARAKEET** (Waters '50) M-L-42" Charming **chicory blue** very different from other blues. Hafts have decided **greenish gold** area extending nearly an inch down the fall. This feature not only produces a stunning flower, but also places Blue Parakeet **among the various approaches to green now sought by every hybridizer.** Even standards have flush of greenish gold. Perfumed flowers. HM'53 [Bandmaster X Azure Skies] Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

***CASCADIAN** (Linse '52) E-M-36" Wide ruffled white, **positively stunning.** Large, broad petaled, with a white beard and a **mysterious greenish cast.** [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle]. HM'55; JC'56; AM'57 Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

***CHAR-MAIZE** (Lyon '49) M-44" Sea-foam chartreuse blended with **deep yellow.** Will delight flower arrangers seeking something different with real appeal. A large flower, heavy substance, with-stands heat and wind. Has made name for itself, among fanciers and breeders. RU Dykes '53 [Snow Flurry X Aztec Copper] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

COLOR MAGIC (Murray '57) M-42" A magic color-changer that baffles the color analyst. When flower first opens, a buff-tan with **green at haft;** magically changes color from day to day. During second day takes on pastel tints of original colors; about third day turns to tannish-cream. [Golden Russet x Tobacco Road] X Desert Tan] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**

GREEN CHANCE (Murray '55) EM-38" A fetching chartreuse bitone. One of the **greenest Iris available.** Standards yellow-cream with a hint of green, strongly arched. Falls large, yellowish olive-green. A prominent Iris judge stated this contains **more actual green than any Iris he had seen.** Pollen available. [Appointee X Green Pastures] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

GREEN DRAGON — Dependable fall bloomer, **greenish-yellow,** brown, lilac, page 25.

***GREENGLOW** M-40" A white with a strong suffusion of **greenish-chartreuse.** Very large ruffled flower, wide of parts. Has good quality, height, branching, substance. Appeals to all who like the unusual. Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10, \$5**

GREEN HAT (Murray '55) M to L-38" Significant new addition to green toned Iris. **Unique** is certainly the word for this. Standards green-chartreuse, falls hazelnut-brown, edged with green of standards, set off with gold beard. Heavy substance. Produces 7 to 10 blooms per stalk. Wonderful for hybridizers; has two greenish Iris in its pedigree, Green Pastures and Appointee. **You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words.** See page 20. [(Green Pastures x Melitta) X Appointee] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

GREEN HOPE — Repeat-bloomer, often greener than Green Pastures, page 26.

GREEN IVORY (Muhlestein '53) ML-36" Huge **greenish-ivory** self of very full wide proportions. One stalk makes a full bouquet. In demand by breeders of greens for crossing with such things as Char-Maize, Greenglow, Mint Julep. Better get started! [Desert Song X Sister to Greenglow] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

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***MINT JULEP** (Recknor '53) M-36" Has a chartreuse coloring very similar to that of Char-Maize. A large full flower. Introduced as a **breeding Iris** for those interested in this elusive green coloration. Well branched. HC'52 Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

MYSTIC LEGEND — Intriguing blend of many colors, including green, page 21.

OKLAHOMA M-41" Bewitching sea-foam green & buff. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

***TRANQUILITY** (Fay '50) ML-38" Don Waters says "A flaring white Iris with green shadows throughout. Very good." Most cool and refreshing. Useful to breeders, particularly those working toward greens. AM'53 [Snow Flurry X Katherine Fay] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$7.50**

***VEILED IN MYSTERY** (Milliken '51) EM-38" Mysterious and very lovely is this most unusual color break—a **satin white with an ethereal dusting of the palest chartreuse.** Standards and falls **exquisitely fluted and ruffled.** Another special feature is its unusual full **violet beard,** setting this apart from others, giving it unusual beauty. Has created a sensation among flower lovers and hybridizers alike. Introduced at \$35.00; now down to where Iris fans everywhere can enjoy it. Reg. \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.15; 3 for \$3.30**

WEDDING BOUQUET — A lovely green-tinged white, buds chartreuse, page 23.

***WHITE ADMIRAL** (Morris '50) 36" Remarkable English creation not listed elsewhere in America as far as I am aware. Described by one writer as "**greenest white I have ever seen.**" A superb new white of **great size,** splendid substance, with strong, well-domed standards, large, widely flaring falls. A pale green glow within throat intensifies ice-blue white of remainder of flower. Beard pale amethyst, tipped yellow. Outstanding, both for fancier and breeder. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

WINGED GODDESS (Lyon '56) M-36" A new arrival in a **color most fitting for this atomic age — standards very light uranium green, flushed with bluebird blue** on the inside base; falls slightly tinted in pale uranium green, with an overcast of very soft bluebird blue washed from **beard done in medium blue.** Outer edges of ruffled petals have a faint flush of light mimosa yellow. A big, tall, stately flower with an irresistible appeal, a character all its own. Comes from **wonderful parents,** so should be fine for the hybridizer. [(Char-Maize x Green Pastures) X self] Regularly \$17.00; on \$20 order **\$16.15**

***YELLOW ORGANDY** — A lacy green-tinged pale yellow, heavily ruffled, page 11.

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CARISSIMA (Nesmith '55) M-38" Captivating and endearing, a very ruffled and frilled flower in pure white. Notable for clarity of color and styling. A joy to all who are interested in prettily formed flowers, for these are so heavily ruffled they have the swirling grace of drifting snow. Standards firmly domed; falls semi-flaring. Sets seed readily; known to carry the extreme ruffling to its progeny; a splendid parent for hybridizers working the ruffled and laced lines. [Involving Lady Boscawen, Sierra Snow, Chicory Blue, Azure Skies, etc.] Reg. \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

CARMELA (Schreiner '55) M-38" This bewitching new creation is so very lacy and exotic that I am picturing it for you in full color on opposite page. Several experienced Iris judges have characterized Carmela as the laciest and loveliest of this new race. This crinkled beauty is done in colors of fawn and honey, and is sure to captivate you. The petals are broad and the form is simply superb. A radiant, glamorous Iris personality that is certainly a "must" for Iris fanciers. HM'55, AM'58 [Russet Wings X (Midwest Gem x Chantilly)]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

CHANTILLY M-36" See Ektachrome. Most famous of the progenitors of this eye-catching race of "Chantilly-laced" Iris, and finest inexpensive laced Iris today. A wonderful parent - these 2 pages contain no less than 8 descendants of Chantilly, and if others have gotten good ones, why not you? A luscious orchid-pink. Very likely carries recessive character for tangerine beard. Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **55c**

★ **CLARA B** (Muhlestein '52) ML-37" A heavily ruffled and laced white, glistening lemon-gold border. Finest inexpensive laced Iris for the breeder. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**



RUFFLED APACHE — A real eye-catcher — On \$10 order **\$4.75**

BLUE DEBUT (Wallace '55) ML-36" Many have been waiting for that blue lacing factor for their breeding work; now here it is. A large well substantiated, nicely formed pale violet-blue self up to 6½" across. Standards and falls beautifully laced, lightly ruffled. [(Midwest Gem x Hall 42-10) X (Snoqualmie x Gold Ruffles)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

BUTTERSCOTCH KISS (Plough '57) ML-36" A full sister seedling to Caribou Trail, shown in color. The general coloring and lacy form are similar, but this is more of a golden butterscotch yellow, with a gold dust glitter all over. In some lights there is an orchid infusion. Yellow is intensified in heart of flower and along the petal edges. Heavily substantiated; edges of petals very heavily laced. Gold ribbon for most outstanding introduction at recent meeting at Wenatchee, Wash. Fertile both ways; with qualities like this it will be in terrific demand among the hybridizers. HM'57, JC'58. [(Cascade Splendor x Honeyflow) X Twenty Grand] Regularly \$25.00; on \$30 order **\$23.75**

CANDY KID (Norton '54) ML-32" Something nice for you folks who want a real novelty that is beautiful and not freaky. Standards and falls are heavily crimped and there is a pronounced striped effect, hence name Candy Kid. Standards rosy-lavender, falls darker with interesting marbled and striped pattern. Forerunner of a new type of Iris coloring; as such will be sought by breeders. [Cliffdell X Alexia Sdlg.] Rhizomes small. Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$4.25**

CARIBOU TRAIL (Plough '57) ML 32" Here is the very latest and finest member of this ever-growing clan of lacy beauties. My new Ektachrome shows you better than any words the spontaneous appeal of this rich, glowing golden brown with a bright violet blaze radiating out from the center of the falls. All petal edges and style crests are heavily crimped and shirred in a most appealing manner. A commanding creation of large size and heavy substance. Don't pass up this one! HM'57, JC'58 [(Cascade Splendor x Honeyflow) X Twenty Grand] Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$12.50**

CHANTILLY — Original Lace-Edge Iris — On \$10 order **55c**



CARIBOU TRAIL — Commands attention — On \$20 order **\$12.50**



★ **CLIFFDELL** (Norton '52) ML-38" Lovely new bi-color blend with crinkled edges. Standards rich reddish brown; falls flaring, rosy lilac with brown edging. Passes its lacy edges to its progeny. Pollen abundant. [Alexia sdlg. X Cascade Splendor] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

CONVENTION QUEEN (Muhlestein '54) M-L-40" Very large broad-petaled heavily laced peach pink with excellent substance. Color rich apricot-salmon. Beard red tangerine. Tell's best from cross that gave some true pinks with pink beards. HM'55; JC'56 [Salmon Shell X Pink Fulfillment] Regularly \$10.00; on \$10 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

CREPE SUZETTE (Whiting '54) M-36" A delightfully crimped, fluted flower in light peach pink, heavy tangerine beard. Quite unusual due to heavily creped texture. Blooms large, long-lasting. [Tea Rose X Hall 42-05] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

CRINKLED RIBBON (Schreiner '56) M-38" Exciting bright blend—tan and rosy lavender, with heavily crinkled edges. Intriguing; comes from new line of breeding for the lacy type. Pollen profuse. [Pathfinder X Rose Splendor] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

CRISPETTE (Schreiner '54) EM-35" A lacy-edged orchid-colored masterpiece of flawless perfection of form. A broadly proportioned color gem with fluted petals and lacy edging. The deep orchid color carries extremely well. Beard orange-red. JC'56; AM'57. [Harriet Thoreau X (Angelus x ?) x (Matula x Schreiner Sdlg. 8-37)] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$3.30**

DREAMY (Linse '53) ML-37" A flaring, very ruffled flower with a texture that has been likened to a bowl of freshly popped popcorn. A white fresh and pure, even to beard. Field wide open to incorporate this novel texture in Iris of other colors. Should be excellent breeder. JC'57; RU-AM'58 [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle] Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.15; 3 for \$3.30**

ENCHANTED LACE (Wallace '56) L-36" A new and imposing beauty that I am now adding to my listing of lacy lovelies for the first time. A fine **large peach blend with heavy ruffling and lacing**. The winsome effect derived from wide flaring falls will create a sensation wherever grown or shown. Stock limited, one to a customer, please. [Centennial Queen X Chantilly].....

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GALA (Schirmer '51) EM-38" Blend of peach, tan, yellow and pink, with definite rosy qualities. Has more laciness than Chantilly
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GAY APPAREL (Schirmer '58) ML-34" Gay, and very new is this colorful laced novelty. Really outstanding, due to **very heavy golden-buff lacing at ends of very flaring heavy substanted falls in lilac-pink**. Beard light yellow. Standards creamy-pink with a lacing around edge. Coloring is so sparkling and so different some have called it a "fancy." Received HC award in '55, and was 3d from top out of 69 that received this award. Greatly admired at '55 Canadian Convention. Now, **at last it is introduced and available to you**, while limited stocks last. Pollen exceedingly abundant. **HM'58** [(Overture x Chantilly) X Pink Reflection] ... Reg. \$20.00; on \$25 order **\$13.35; 3 for \$38.05**

GRACELLE (Albright '55) E-M-L-36" A widely acclaimed new Iris of great distinction. A **wide ruffled and laced blend of pink and lavender with an electric blue flush in the falls**. A heavy substanted self without haft markings; gold beard; stalks tall, strong, well-branched. Very vigorous, winter hardy, fast of increase. Fertile both ways; should be a breeder for many wonderful colors. **HM'55** [(Dreamcastle X (Sister to Pink Salmon x President Pilkington)).....
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GUSSIE (Corey '53) ML-35" Reputed to have **heaviest crimped and laced edges of any Iris in commerce**; approaches the ultimate. Even buds noticeably laced, very charming. A lovely heavy textured orchid self, gold hafts, lemon beard. Likely to contribute heavy lacing to offspring due to two lacy parents in pedigree, Chantilly and Midwest Gem. [Chantilly X (Daybreak x Midwest Gem)] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

JUNE BRIDE (Hall '52) M-32" A delectable, mouth-watering deep apricot pink with a color associated with tuberous begonias and gladioli. A large lacy flower with stiff horizontal falls. Beard prominent, bright, red tangerine. **HM'52; RU-AM'56** [Two Hall pink seedlings] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

LIMELIGHT (Hall '52) ML-35" Extra large ruffled, very frilly flower, like a **canary yellow Chantilly**. Picotted edging and beautiful coloring attract all who see it. Novel, tantalizing, and quite irresistible. Should prove highly useful in breeding new ones with the Chantilly lace. Beard tangerine orange, so will prove useful to those breeding for intense yellows with bright red beards. **Outstanding for both the fancier and the breeder!** **HM'52; AM'54** [Sunray X Hall pink sdlg. 46-42] Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.25; 3 for \$6.40**

ORCHID RUFFLES (Schreiner '54) EM-35" The first true lavender with that much-sought lacy edge. A flower of shimmering loveliness and ethereal beauty that the discriminating Iris fancier will take to his heart. **Far-sighted breeders will be quick to cross this with other new lacy edged varieties.** **HM'56; JC'57** [Harriet Thoreau X (Angelus x ?) x (Matula x sdlg.: (Noweta x Violet Cr.))]] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

★ **PARTY DRESS** (Muhlestein '51) ML-34" Delightful. **Most ruffled and laced of all the Flamingo Pinks**. Makes one think of a little girl's frilly party dress. One of **best parents for tangerine-bearded pinks**. Fertile both ways; offspring remarkably fine. Has a long tangerine beard, yields highly colorful and varied beards in its offspring. Every hybridizer should have this. **AM'54** [(Lancaster x D. Hall's 42-10) X Sister to Pink Formal] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

QUEEN'S LACE (Muhlestein '55) M-L-34" A personal favorite of mine, and one that approaches the ultimate in floral beauty. A delectable creamy white, with crinkled lacy edges of pale gold. The lacing is so heavy that it is **probably not surpassed by any other Iris to date**. Much sought; everyone seems to want it to dress up his garden, and for breeding. You can't go wrong on this! Pollen plentiful. **JC'56; AM'57** [Clara B X (Gold Ruffles x Chantilly)] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

REMEMBER ME (Norton '53) ML-34" A lovely blend with pale pinkish yellow standards and light golden-buff falls. Petal edges crimped and crinkled. Flowers heavily substanted. Pollen good. [Alexia X Cascade Splendor] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$6.85**

RUFFLED APACHE (Wallace '54) ML-36" The lacy appearance is so striking, the color so new for a lacy-edged variety, it always **makes the visitors stop and exclaim in admiration**. Standards soft bronzy amber, beautifully arched and closed. Falls **rosy crimson with lacy bronze edging**. Beard bright yellow, large and conspicuous. So outstanding it was shown on front cover of Jan. 1955 A.I.S. Bul. **See in natural color on opposite page**. Fertile both ways. You need this one! Rhizomes small. **HM'54; JC'55** [Matula X Midwest Gem] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

★ **RUFFLED GEM** (Muhlestein '51) ML-36" Iridescent pinkish-buff becoming light yellow in center of falls. Petals edged with **heavy Chantilly-lace**. Lots of pollen. [Midwest Gem X Sib to Dream Girl] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55**

★ **RUSSET WINGS** M-38" Wonderful, glowing russet, lacy Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

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SONG OF SONGS E-L-38" Standards light yellow. Falls iridescent white, edged like standards. All petals edged with a **frilly lacing**. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **90c**

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MY FAVORITE LACE — SPECIAL NO. 18 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for you amazingly generous assortments of my personal lacy favorites for. **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00**



SUGARPLUM — Delectable, mouth-watering — on \$10 order **\$4.25**

SUGARPLUM (Corey '53) M-36" **See life-like Ektachrome**. A full sister of the coveted Gussie, and equally sought by hybridizers, as it is **much pinker** and the **edges of the petals are crimped and lacy**. A soft creamy pink self with soft yellow haft and yellow beard. Form flaring and substance very heavy. Known to be a fine breeder; should make a wonderful parent to bring lacing into the flamingo pink line. **HM'55** [Chantilly X (Daybreak x Midwest Gem)] Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$4.25**

TRULY YOURS (Fay '49) VL-38" A huge creation, **brehtaking and spectacular**. Beautiful heavily-ruffled bitone with Chantilly-like edging of lace on both standards and falls. Heart of flower bright yellow shading off to almost white. **Completely winter hardy**. Has **fertile pollen and sets seed excellently**. Start now to add this effective frilling to Iris of other colors. **'53 Dkys Medal** [(Rameses x Far West) x Hall 42-35) X Zantha] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

TWENTY GRAND (Norton '53) M-36" A lovely blend of canary yellow, orchid and tan-gold. Petals beautifully ruffled and edged in Chantilly lace. Beard orange. A **marvelous breeder** that has already yielded the award-winning Butterscotch Kiss. [Chantilly X Rain-bow Room] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

YELLOW LACE (Wallace '56) M-36" This is the **"Goldilocks"** Iris, for it is a brilliant golden yellow with curl-like whirls of heavy ruffling and lace. An Iris everyone will want for its great novelty. Children particularly will be enchanted with it; also hybridizers, for here is fine blood for lacy pinks and lacy yellows with red beards. A **"must have."** [Chantilly X (Midwest Gem x Hall's 42-10)] Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$14.25**

★ **YELLOW ORGANDY** (Rees '52) L-42" Crisp as starched organdy, this pale yellow, green-tinged blossom is so **heavily ruffled** it appears almost shirred. Large 6-inch flowers on four-branched stalks holding 12 buds. [(Snow Flurry x Happy Days) X Ming Yellow]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85; 10 for \$10.00**

CARMELA — Everyone's Favorite — On \$10 order **\$4.75**



Main Section of TALL BEARDED IRIS

You'll find below all of my 1959 offerings in Tall Bearded Iris **except** for the following 5 important new Races that have been segregated out for your convenience as explained at the top of page 5:

HORNED IRIS — See page 4. **THE LACY LOVELIES** — See pages 10 and 11.

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The Tall Bearded varieties in the above 5 special categories are all included in my alphabetical Index on page 35, but not those in the following main listing of Tall Bearded Iris.

1959 INTRODUCTION

AMAZING GRACE (Geo. Rees '59) M-35" I am proud to present this to you, and co-introduce it with originator, **George Nicholas Rees**, Poet Laureate of Ozarkland, author of many Iris poems used in various editions of this catalog. Mr. Rees considers **AMAZING GRACE** as the **culmination of his 20 years of Iris hybridizing** in the Ozark Mts. of Missouri, where it has proved completely hardy. Has performed superbly for me here in Sierra Nevada Mts. of California. A **sublimely majestic white**; will stand out in any garden. A pristine Iris that **really glistens in its white purity**, entirely devoid of detracting haft markings. Wonderful substance enables blooms to withstand mid-day sun, mid-May downpours. Standards nicely domed; falls stand out in attractive manner. Sturdy stalks, excellent branching. Note parentage and you can envision wonderful descendants. Fragrant. [Snow Flurry X New Snow] Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$10.00**

AMAZING GRACE

*It's pleasant to walk in a garden
To gaze on the fairness of flow'rs;
"The kiss of the sun is for pardon"
And calm is a balm through the hours.
I'm partial to iris and roses;
Each one's like a wonderful face
Where rapture unrivaled reposes
Enhanced and abounding with grace . . .*

*It's nice to have names for these beauties
Depicting allurements so fair;
For, whether real queens or just cuties,
Each flow'r has a fragrance to share.
I've found a white iris so pretty
It's you that I view in its place
(The flow'r of my heart in Queen City) —
It is captioned **AMAZING GRACE**.*

... George Nicholas Rees

AL BORAK (DeForest '52) M-36" The largest of all the horizontal-fall browns; falls 3½" to 4" across by 3½" long, with hafts a full 2" wide. Standards **glowing copper with a gold undertone**. Falls lively brown-russet. Passes its remarkable broad form on to its offspring. **You could pick no finer variety to use as a parent.** HC'49; HM'53 [Her Grace x Prairie Sunset] X Copper River] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.20; 3 for \$3.40**

***ALI BABA** (Lyon '52) M-L-40" Standards flushed garnet-brown and the falls are deep brownish-garnet-red. Hafts particularly broad. Gives a bright red effect. Does not fade in the hot sun. Flower **very large and impressive**. Pleasing fragrance. [Ranger X Cordovan] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85; 10 for \$10.00**

***ALLINE ROGERS** (Kleinsorge '50) LM-34" Truly immense, often with 8-inch spread; wonderful horizontal falls of amazing substance, and a most delectable blending of peach, pink and alluring buff. Delightfully fragrant. [Cascade Splendor X Daybreak] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$7.50**

***AMBER GEM** M-36" Chestnut brown & gold. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3, \$1.30**

***APACHE CHIEF** (Brown '55) EM-36" One of the most unusual Iris in the garden. A pearly light-greyish-brown with a pink undertone, and a large lavender blaze in center of fall. Flowers large, flaring, of excellent substance. Try it for a real novelty. [Grand Canyon X Sandalwood] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

APRIL SHOWERS (Craig '54) M-38" A fancy plicata. Standards light yellow; falls have a silvery quality with sunlight yellow showered on the surface. Brushing of white and lilac in center of falls. **Sets seed with Oncobred and Tall Bearded pollen.** [Mariposa Mia x (Tiffany x Los Angeles) x Belle Brunett] X Joseph's Mantle] ... \$3; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

ARABI PASHA (Anley '53) M-ML-36" Rich, deep, cornflower blue with a blue beard, that won the English Dykes Medal in '53. A smooth finished, nicely tailored flower with most velvety falls of any blue to date. Beard is unique, very long and prominent, yet harmonizing in color, violet blue lightly tipped in yellow. Likely to remain the best deep blue for a long time. [(Blue Ensign x Windermere) X Blue Ensign] \$3; on \$10 order **\$2.50**

ARGUS PHEASANT (DeForest '48) EM-38" An exceptionally large flower in bright golden Argus brown. From Past Pres. British I. S. H. Randall: "The highest praise can be given to this smooth brown Iris. It seems to have every virtue." Dykes Medal '52 [Casa Morena X Tobacco Road] **In color above** Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **80c**

BALLET DANCER EM-38" See in full color. A delightful golden apricot buff. Falls stand out like the swirling skirt of a ballet dancer. HM'49; AM'52 Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

**BALLET
DANCER**
Captivating!
\$1.00



ARGUS PHEASANT — 1952 Dykes Medal — \$1.00

BANG (Craig '55) ML-36" Widely acclaimed, much coveted, rich bright red. Made a BANG at Salt Lake Convention. Fisher Harris characterized this as a big rich bright red, **closest to true red yet achieved**. Far outclasses ordinary reds. Will be sought by fanciers and breeders alike. Substance good. Beard golden-bronze. Lots of pollen. JC'56; RU-AM'58 [Savage X (Cordovan x Molten)] Reg. \$10; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

BELLE MEADE (Wills '52) M-39" A very superior new pure white plicata, feathered at the edges with violet-blue. **Has sufficient color to give a very blue effect from a distance**, yet is delightful on a close examination. Excellent branching. RU-AM'57 — [Blue Shimmer X Snow Crystal] Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

***BIG TIME** (Lapham '51) M-39" An immense flower with bronzy red standards, falls rosy red with a blackish overlay, lustrous finish. Beard reddish-yellow. Pollen abundant. [Red Waves X (Redward x Copper Rose)] . . . Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.30**

BIG UTE (Wallace '54) M-37" A rich glowing red blend of classic quality that enjoyed much popularity among the A.I.S. convention visitors at Salt Lake City. There is a suggestion of a violet-blue sheen below the beard, and this gives it much the appearance of a greatly improved Grand Canyon. A huge flower with wide, flaring falls and closed standards. Stalks sturdy, well branched. A good grower. HM'55; JC'56 — [Grand Canyon X (Lancaster x Three Oaks)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

BLACK CASTLE (Schreiner '53) M-32" Close approach to a jet black. Wonderful large flowers of splendid form. Deep orange beard indescribably rich, like a sparkling jewel on a black evening gown. Will give bold contrast to any variety you may have in your garden. [Sister of Black Forest X Down East] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.25**

BLACK DIAMOND ML-35" A copiously formed, heavily subtended ebony-blue-black. Lustrous black sheen. HM'52. Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5**

BLACK HILLS (Fay '51) M-38" A much-heralded black. A shade blacker than Black Forest. Produces splendid 38" stalks. A full petaled and nicely proportioned flower with a smooth blue-black color but no haft markings. **Wonderful velvety black falls.** HM'51; AM'54 [(Black Valor x Gulf Stream) X Black Forest] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.60**

APPRAISAL IN OCT. '56 A.I.S. BUL.: "Black Hills has not been topped . . . performs in all gardens, and above all it has garden value—for it holds its head up with the best of them. Now that the price is down, no garden should be without it."
—Mrs. G. Roach Sr.

BLACK MICHAEL (Morris '49) L-42" About twice the height of Black Forest. A black of noble proportions from England, of tremendous weather-resisting substance. Standards rich very dark blue-violet; falls very flaring, of deepest velvety violet black. Well branched. Silver Medal Eng. Iris Soc. '48 [Persephone X Blue Ensign] ... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85; 10 for \$10.00**

***BLACK MISCHIEF** (Schreiner '53) EM-36" Early blooming descendant of Black Forest that is taller than its famous parent. **Intensely colored** near black, as rich and deep a midnight hue as can be imagined. Very free flowering. [Black Forest X Cameroun] Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

***BLACK RUBY** M-35" Velvet crimson black, striking. . . Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

***BLUEBIRD BLUE** (Fay '53) M-36" A large, non-fading, hardy, very clear shade of medium blue. Beard white, tipped lemon. Flowers full, round, nicely tailored. A beauty from two great parents. A good seed parent. HM'54; JC'55 [Helen McGregor X Cahokia] \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

BLUE INTENSITY (Austin '58) E-M-36" **Very large**, beautifully formed. Often attains flower height of 7 inches. An intense, bright blue, yellowish white beard. **Simply wonderful for effective garden display**, due to brightness of color, large size of flowers, abundance of flower stalks and number of flowers per stalk. All of these qualities make for a very colorful plant. Low, heavily branched, with usually 3 flowers per stalk open at once. From Berkeley Blue X Chivalry, thus is a sister of my twice-blooming BLUE SURPRISE (page 25) in a brighter blue. It's fragrant, too . . . Reg. \$8; on \$10 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$15.15**

See also my full lists of **Oncobreds** (page 29), and **Autumn Bloomers** (page 25), which include many varieties often listed by others with the Tall Bearded. Index is on page 35.

BLUE HAWAII (Schreiner '54) EM-40" A rich marine blue inheriting the airy petal formation of its famous seed parent. Outstanding in size and stature. Useful in breeding both blues and whites. [Snow Flurry X Sylvia Murray].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

BLUE RHYTHM ML-38" Very popular silvery cornflower blue; Dykes.....Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **40c; 3 for \$1.15**

BLUE SAPPHIRE (Schreiner '53) EM-40" A very blue silvery flower of extra large size and exquisite purity. Petals very broad with heavily ruffled edges, yet with **extraordinarily heavy substance** enabling the flowers to come through a storm. Makes finest background Iris imaginable. **Dykes'58** [Snow Flurry X Chivalry].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

BLUE SHIMMER M-39" Popular blue plicata.Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

BLUE VALLEY M to L-38" Beautifully ruffled, large in size. A single rhizome has been known to produce 7 flower stalks. **Enticingly fragrant. See Ektachrome**.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

BOLD ADVENTURE (Wells '55) M-L-48" Imagine a black to height of 4 feet with immense, bold flowers creating a "new look" for black Iris. Has a sight maroon undercast and is accented by an exotic brown-black beard. **If you want something excitingly different try Bold Adventure.** [(Acropolis x Destiny) x Starless Night) X Captain Wells].....Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

BOLD CONTRAST (Linse '54) ML-40" **See Ektachrome.** Stands out as **most beautiful variegata I have seen.** A large perfectly formed, heavily subtended flower. Standards **clear bright gold**; falls smooth, **blackish maroon red**, with partial edging of yellow, and strongly contrasting orange-yellow beard. Hafts very smooth, almost devoid of markings. A bold, stunning contrast in colors—a **real crowd-stopper.** Pollen plentiful. **HM'55; JC'56** [Extravaganza X Rajah Brooke].....Regularly \$7.00; on \$10 order **\$4.95**

BRIGADOON (Tompkins '55) E-L-38" Brigadoon is my nomination for the **brightest Iris now available anywhere.** Plant it where you will, your visitors will find it and stand in amazement, glory. A delightfully smooth blend of **bright fuchsia-red, amethyst-violet, true purple.** Has dazzling brilliance of an oriental masterpiece. Very large, yet beautifully formed, softly ruffled petals of heavy substance in a finish like gleaming silken taffeta. Strong stalks, excellent bloom placement. Should be an excellent breeder for wonderful new colors. **I know of no other Iris you can plant that will draw crowds so quickly.** **HC'54; HM'55**.....Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$11.25; 3 for \$32.05**

BRIGHT GEM (DeForest '53) M-36" One of the **finest brown Iris I have seen to date.** A rich velvet brown of remarkable brilliance and having a glowing reddish-brown or mahogany hue. Color intensified by a dark brown beard. Hafts practically devoid of reticulations. **An immense flower with a 7-inch spread,** nearly horizontal falls and the heaviest substance of any brown Iris. [Argus Pheasant X Garden Glory].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

BRONZE SYMPHONY (Pattison '52) M-37" A large brilliant golden copper-brown with color **more intense, more vivid than Argus Pheasant.** Has created quite a sensation due to its color and to the excellent form with **broad waved petals** of very heavy substance. May yield bright yellow plicatas as well as browns. **HM'53** [Copper River X Patrice].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

BUTTERHORN (Sass '55) M-38" A **new lemon ice that will take your breath away.** Ground color like **icy white velvet,** petals edged with broad band of **pure lemon-gold.** Petals broad, perfectly proportioned, delicately ruffled. Has domed standards and well extended falls. Perfectly branched and of extremely vigorous growth. Has a wax-like clarity and purity that makes it the **most beautiful of this type that I have ever seen.** Destined to become very popular. **HM'55** - [White and pink plicata sdg. X soft pastel plicata sdg.].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$12.75; 3 for \$36.35**

BY-LINE (DeForest '54) M-40" A **sensational and very colorful yellow plicata. Among the largest of Iris,** with standards in soft burgundy red with a creamy flush in the center; falls bright yellow with a wide border of heavily stippled dark burgundy red. Beard yellowish-orange with a tiny black signal line at its end. Excellent branching. A dandy! [(Tiffanja x Firecracker) X Rodeo]..Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$7.50**

BOLD CONTRAST — Well named



BLUE VALLEY — 75c



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Pheasant
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CALYPSO (Douglas '55) M-37" Here we have the Iris that is "**tall, dark and handsome.**" A true self in deep, dark violet; no venations. **A profuse bloomer,** well branched, fully hardy. [Barbara Adams X Gulf Stream]..\$6; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

CAMEL (Lowry '54) M-36" A lovely and distinctive Iris in rich butter-caramel tones. It has brown shoulders and a faint blue blaze at tip of beard. Standards conic. Falls wide, flaring. Flowers firm subtended, borne on well branched sturdy stalks. Perfectly hardy. **Nothing else quite like it.** **HM'54; JC'55** - [Mexico X (Mexico x (Old Parchment x Katherine Larmon))].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

CAROLINE JANE (DeForest '51) M-38" Flowers are enormous and the glistening white ground has a beautiful pattern of delicate blue markings. Wide in both standards and falls; falls flaring, ruffled. **Seems to be a favorite wherever it is grown.** One of the two Iris that **stopped our 1956 A.I.S. convention visitors in their tracks.** The other was CELESTIA. The 2 are "**MUSTS**" for every up-to-date Iris garden. **HM'51; AM'55** - [(Her Grace x Tiffany) X New Hope].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

CASA MORENA M-38" Huge, rich chestnut-brown, glowing like an ember. Heavy bloomer. Fertile pollen; one of best seed-setters. A delight for hybridizers and Iris lovers. **AM'46. See Ektachrome**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

CELESTIA (Pierce '55) EM-38" I rate this as the **finest blue Iris that bloomed in our garden last spring.** This is the blue that **A.I.S. convention visitors went wild about** when they were here. A light blue of remarkably pure blue. Extremely heavy substance. A real beauty, broad arched standards, ruffled horizontal falls. Mrs. Hinckly reports from Illinois: "**This has everything one would want in a blue Iris.**" **Coveted by more people than any other blue.** **HM'55; RU-Franklin Cook Memorial Cup '57; RU-AM'58** [(Snow Flurry x Lake Shanon) X (Helen McGregor x Chivalry)]..\$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

CELESTIAL BLUE (Brother Charles '55) M-36" Free flowering clear light blue self. Has a frosty sheen that gives the flower much life and sparkle. Has made a hit wherever grown. Single stalks sometimes produce **as many as 17 blossoms with 3 to 7 flowers open at once.** Standards nicely ruffled. Falls semi-flaring.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

CHAMOIS M-34" Immense, pure chamois self....\$1; on \$10 order **75c; 3, \$2.15**

CHIVALRY M-36" Glorious clear bright blue. Dykes.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

★**CLIFFS OF DOVER** (Fay '53) M-36" A grand ruffled pure white. Received both national and international acclaim. H. J. Randall, former President British I.S., wrote this tribute: "**Cliffs of Dover provided one of the most exciting clumps in my garden. Its flowers have ruffling, tough substance, purity of color and globular shape, which makes it, in my judgment, the finest white Iris I have ever seen.**" Referred to in Australia as a sensational American introduction. New Zealand reports it to be without doubt the best white grown; and A.I.S. Bulletins abound in favorable comment. No haft markings to mar the beauty; beard light yellow. Winter hardy. Should be a great seedparent. Has already yielded the new Iris Irish Linen. I am fortunate in having a good stock of this **finest inexpensive Iris in this catalog,** so I can even offer you a special three price, thus enabling you to have a magnificent clump in bloom in **YOUR** garden next spring. **AM'55; RU-Dykes'57** [New Snow X Cahokia].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

COLLEGIATE (Hall '55) M-ML-32" An outstanding, sparkling pure white, bright center glow the color of a ripe cantaloupe—neither orange nor yellow. Under side of falls yellow and buds yellow. Beard yellow. Branching good. Pollen exceedingly abundant.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.10; 3 for \$6.00**

CONGO (Schreiner '53) M-40" A real achievement—very first large nearly black, with a reddish sheen. **Fully 50% larger than most blacks.** Gloriously rich; of excellent form, branching. [Ethiopia Queen X Velvet Dusk].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

COPPER MEDALLION (Schreiner '51) M-38" Probably **most brilliant of all inexpensive Iris.** A stunning reddish-copper self; has more new-penny glitter than any other blend I know. **HM'53** [Bryce Canyon X Sunset Serenade].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

CORONATION RED (Hall '53) ML-38" Richly colored as the robes worn at a coronation. Will be a "high spot" in any garden. A bitone of **glowing oxblood red,** with large flowers and heavy substance. Beard rich orange. Brilliant, **non-fading.** **HC'52** [Color Sergeant X Garden Glory].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.60; 3 for \$7.40**

DARK BOATMAN (Cook '54) M-L-34" The new black in such demand it has been sold out most of the time. Now available, at least to those who order early. Certainly one of the very finest of Paul Cook's black series. Standards blackish-violet; falls velvety black, with slightest tinge of violet. Hafts clean; beard dark violet. A good seed parent, already yielding the new Allegiance. **AM'56; JC'55** [Black Forest X Sdlg. involving Modoc, Sable, Black Wings]..Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$5.60; 3, \$15.95**

"I am pleased to say that all of your shipments arrived in excellent condition, and your packing is tops!" Roy V. Ashley, Battle Creek, Michigan

DARK CHOCOLATE (Murray '54) EM-38" A beautifully formed flower that is such a great advance in this color class that it has created quite a sensation among the fanciers who have seen it. The hybridizers all covet it, too, as it comes from Tobacco Road, which is probably the most famous of all browns as a seed and pollen parent. A clean, dark chocolate color — as dark as Baker's chocolate, very large and tall, with good branching and very heavy substance. Very profuse flowering, often producing 3 or 4 stalks from a single rhizome. Rich, dark and commandingly different! **HC'53; HM'54** [Tobacco Road X Grand Marshal].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.75; 3 for \$10.70**

DEEP BLACK (Cook '55) ML-36" At last I am able to present to you the crowning achievement of Paul Cook's long series of hybridizations for better blacks. Deep Black has often been referred to as the deepest of all blacks. It is a blue-black, has incredible depth of color, which holds and is non-fading. Standards deep blackish violet; falls solid jet black, with velvety finish, clean hafts, dark violet beard. A real beauty that will command attention everywhere. **JC'56; AM'57** [Black Forest X Cook dark sdg.].....Regularly \$8.00; on \$10 order **\$7.60**

DEFIANCE (Tompkins '53) ML-34" A red so bright and true has been coveted by many flower lovers since introduction at \$35.00. Now I have it down in price so many more people can obtain it. Frequently characterized as: "purest red I have ever seen." A dark cardinal self, with standards almost as deeply colored as falls, something quite unusual. Smooth, velvety texture. Excellent form, substance, free of veinings. Stands the sun. Beard bronzy-gold. Will create a sensation in YOUR garden, just as it did in the seedbed. Pollen abundant. **HM'53** [Manana X Technicolor].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$17.95**

✶**DESERT SONG** M-40" Beautiful ruffled cream.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.30**

✶**EASTER BONNET** M-38" Most colorful spectacular pink....Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

✶**EBONY ECHO** ML-38" Standards full and domed. Falls flare horizontally. Buds are so dark that with their sleek finish they appear like great blobs of shiny black wax; flower is a very deep, glowing black red. A true self, free of haft markings and with a dark beard. **HM'49; AM'53**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

EDITH POPE (Buss '55) M-45" A descendant of the famous Spanish Peaks that is of even larger size and of remarkably pure white, even to the beard, there being no markings of other colors. Combines the good qualities of both its parents. Thoroughly hardy and a good grower. [Spanish Peaks X Vista Veronica]...\$4; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3, \$6.75**

ELEANOR'S PRIDE (Watkins '56) M-42" Superb light blue, beautifully shaped. Petals ruffled, of great weather resistance. A clump gives a most extraordinary bicolor effect, due to medium blue buds, light blue freshly opened blooms, and pure clean white of day-old flowers. Next to top in '58 Awards of Merit; so you can't miss on this one. **JC'57; AM'58** [Jane Phillips X Blue Rhythm]...Regularly \$15; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

ENCHANTED PEARL (Brown '56) E-L-36" A beautiful iridescent gleaming pearly blue-white with such heavy leathery substance the flowers last for days, even in wind and rain. The ruffled, horizontally flaring falls give it much grace and charm. Stalks carry so many buds it begins blooming with the earliest and ends with the latest. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

ESCAPADE (Tompkins '52) ML-36" Rich glowing orchid, gold border, frilled & shimmering.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

EXOTIC (Linse '54) M-48" A great big massive flower 7 inches across, produced shoulder-high on magnificent stalks. A new color combination in a most brilliant tan-rose suffused with gold with lilac blaze. Falls are 3 inches and over across, flare out horizontally with upturned ruffled edges. A unique flower with much appeal. [(Prairie Sunset x Painted Desert) X Sultan's Robe]...Reg. \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

FANCYANCY (Austin '53) EM-42" Largest and finest self-colored Fancy I have ever seen, a flower of elegance and refinement. Standards silvery lilac, well substantiated, beautifully waved. Falls deep amethyst, veined in white over entire surface. Delicate brown lacework at haft; bronzy-gold beard. Style crests light lilac yellow. Superb branching. A flower of queenly elegance. Surpasses almost all other Iris in vigor of growth and luxuriant nearly ever-green foliage. Comes from the same cross that yielded 4 of my Horned Iris, namely [JS-M-176B X 638].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.25**

FIREBRIGHT (Craig '54) M-30" An outstanding deep red of an intensity not before seen in Iris. Coloring is smooth and rich; further adorned with a dazzling violet blaze. A thing of beauty and a joy to behold. If you are one who prefers to get a few really good new Iris each year, instead of many of the older ones, this is certainly one to get this year. You'll never regret it. [Savage X Molten].....Regularly \$8.00; on \$10 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$13.65**

✶**FOXFIRE** (Fox '53) M-40" A very rich yellow with a light area below the beard. So outstanding it has created a sensation wherever seen. Color is deep and glowing, form excellent. **HM'53; AM'57; Franklin Cook Memorial Cup '57** [Bryce Canyon X Ola Kala].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$7.50**



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MAGIC CARPET — A favorite, page 15 — 75c

FIRST VIOLET (DeForest '52) M-38" Won Dykes Medal in '56. A superb new creation in true sparkling spectrum-violet (neither red-violet nor blue-violet) without a trace of any other color to mar its fine quality. A flower of great size, with 6" ruffled flowers perfectly spaced on tall stalks. Flower parts wide and haft clean. A luscious color that seems to attract everyone and win the votes needed to get the Dykes. Fragrant. [Chivalry X Spanish Peaks].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$5.70**

FORTUNE'S GIFT (Mitch '55) M-40" Probably the largest and most impressive brown Iris introduced to date. Tremendous blooms measure 7" across and 7" high. Leathery falls are 3½" across, with wide hafts. A smooth brown self with a faint reddish glow to the falls. Beard golden-bronze, often ending in a slight crest. A hybridizer's masterpiece. Particularly significant since brown flowers hardly exist in nature, yet are a superb addition to the rainbow of Iris colors. Among the elite new ones on the Judge's Choice list for '57. Pollen plentiful. **HM'56** [Cordovan X Inca Chief].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

FRONTIER DAYS (Tompkins '53) M to L-36" A hue near to cardinal red with a sleek and glossy finish that gives great brilliance and carrying power. Flowers very large with broad petals and flaring form. Substance very heavy. An excellent grower with strong, well-branched stalks. Sure to be an eye-catcher in any garden. [Bandit X Technicolor] You get 3 for the Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 20.....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.25**

✶**GAYLORD** (Douglas '49) L-38" Hard to surpass in the amoena class as it seems to have everything—shape, substance, stalk and vigorous growth. Standards white. Falls reddish-violet to deep blue-violet with a hairline of white around the edge. Beautifully ruffled and flared to perfection. A free bloomer with 3-branched stalk. Best new parent of this type. **HM'49** [Extravaganza X Wabash]...\$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.45**

GENE WILD (Craig '52) ML-36" A larger, more vibrant version of its seed parent, Rich Raiment. Standards light red, large, round and waved, slightly open, exposing bright violet ridge down center of yellow style arms. Falls very flaring, deep rich crimson with white veins brushed on a yellow ground. Beard unusual, nearly white. Finest Iris in the fancy pattern released to date! Pollen plentiful. **JC'55; RU-AM'58** [Rich Raiment X Joseph's Mantle].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.55**

GLOBETROTTER (Linse '56) M-42" An immense golden rose-tan blend, with a spread of 8". Blooms have falls 3" across, so this is indeed a King-size Iris, and was at first known by that name. A blended self of rosy golden tan and deep rose. Has a fascinating iridescent quality. An excellent parent, fertile both ways. [(Tobacco Road x Casa Morena) x Bryce Canyon] X Orangeman]...Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$7.50**

GOLD CUP (Murray '56) EM-58" I can recommend this very highly as the very best yellow I saw at the '56 A.I.S. Los Angeles Convention. It was a runner-up for the President's Cup, so is very popular already. A huge flower in deep golden-yellow, with flaring falls and heavy substance. Flowers long-lasting, nicely displayed on tall stalks. **HM'56; JC'57** [(Brazil x Grand Marshal) X Tobacco Road].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

GOLD SOVEREIGN LM-30" Deep yellowish-orange that stands out like a beacon light. Garden visitors drawn by attraction of the unusual. Sets seed; profuse quantities of pollen. See Ektachrome on page 9.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

GOLDEN CROWN (Kleinsorge '54) ML-39" A new giant variegata, an absolutely stunning combination of old gold standards and richest plush-like falls of maroon velvet. Twice as large as Gypsy, more richly colored and with more flaring falls. An elegant and luxurious color combination that will attract attention in any garden. **HM'57; JC'57** — [Spanish Fandango X Cascade Splendor x 367].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$3.30**

GOLDEN HAWK (Smith '51) M-44" It is a pleasure to recommend Golden Hawk for it not only produces exceptionally fine large, ruffled blooms on tall well-branched stems, but is a reliable and profuse bloomer, often with up to 17 well-spaced flowers per stalk. Color is velvety primrose yellow, overlaid metallic gold. There are no haft markings. Flower is beautifully tailored, has very broad petals, flaring falls. Pollen fertile; June Moon is among its descendants. **RU-AM'57** [Cascade Splendor X (Sdlg. x Spun Gold)].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$5.10; 3 for \$14.55**

GREAT DAY (Tompkins '53) ML-36" Done in rich glowing carmine it combines the best features of both parents. The lovely flaring form of Ebony Echo has been retained and Manana has given more brilliance to the red coloring and a complete cleanness to the hafts. Flower has same heavy substance as both parents, with their non-burning qualities. Finish is rich and glossy with carmine-black overtones. Strong well-branched stalks with many buds. A great favorite with all who have seen it. **HC'52; HM'53** [Ebony Echo X Manana].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

GOLDEN RUSSET M-39" Enormous gold-russet Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

GRECIAN URN (Sapp '54) ML-40" A heavily ruffled flower in a new shade of hyacinth violet, adding a new color note to the garden. Heavily ruffled flowers of very large size. Extremely broad petals and beautiful flaring form. Its size and new color attract attention immediately. **Flowers over long season.** [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

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HIGH COMMAND (Long '45) M-34" Yellow standards have remarkable clarity of coloring. **Blackish crimson falls have a leathery substance** with ability to withstand storms. Extra large, commanding attention because of size, coloring and abundance of bloom. [Eternal City X Louvois] **In color.** Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

HIGH TOR (Fielding '52) M-40" While High Tor is widely known for its huge chicory blue and very ruffled flowers, **to me its chief appeal is its enticing fragrance - it fills the air with sweet perfume.** Very floriferous, which adds both to the beauty of the variety in the garden, and to the extent to which it scents the air. Among tallest of Iris, with stalks that are well branched and stand up well. Sets seed. **HC'51, HM'52** [Snow Flurry X Azure Skies] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.60; 3 for \$4.55**

HUNTSMAN (Sass '55) M-36" A very intriguing new color described by the originator as a dark blackish-brown self that may also be termed a **"chocolate red."** Massive ruffled flowers with broad petals and heavy substance. Beard bronzy-gold. **Most outstanding and different!** **HM'55.** Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35; 3 for \$21.30**

INCA CHIEF (Mitsch '52) M-L-35" An enormous and spectacular Iris. A wonderful vibrant color - a brilliant lustrous burnished gold-bronze. Blooms perfectly proportioned with a gentle ruffling, a regal carriage. Comes from the cross of Mexico X Tobacco Road. These are two of the best parents in existence so Inca Chief should prove to be a marvelous acquisition for any hybridizer. **HM'52; AM'54.** ...Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

INSPIRATION M-38" Large crimson pink. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c**

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JAN HESS (Watkins-Graves '55) M-39" A stunning '55 introduction so fine as to be practically without competition in its class. A broadly formed medium blue bitone. Deeper and richer than Helen McGregor. Firm subenced blooms well spaced on tall well-branched stalks. Fertile both ways. [Jane Phillips X Chivalry] Regularly \$5.50; on \$10 order **\$3.65; 3 for \$10.40**

JOAN CRAWFORD (Benson '54) M-40" Joan Crawford has endeared itself to all who have seen it, particularly in Miss Crawford's garden in Brentwood, California, where it received endless attention. Combining the excellent qualities of its parents, this exquisite finely chiseled silvery-blue self presents a picture of loveliness and serenity comparable to its namesake who unhesitatingly selected it as her favorite. Honeysuckle-scented, full petaled, heavily subenced and very stylish. Standards domed and fully closed; falls semi-flared and attractively rippled. **HC'52; HM'56** - [Tosca X Azure Skies X Great Lakes] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

KIKI (Graves '51) M-39" A marvelous medium blue bred from two Dykes Medal winners. Possesses a frosty sheen that sparkles and glistens in the sunlight. A smoothly finished flower of flaring form and heavy substance. **HM'53** - [Helen McGregor X Great Lakes] Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

LADY ALBRIGHT (Muhlestein '50) ML-36" This will make a spotlight of attention in any garden. A vivacious flower that is simply alive with color. Standards, intense coppery-brown; falls, brilliant rosy violet, neatly edged in bright copper. **CC'49; HM'50** - [Veishea X Bronzed Copper] ...Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45; 10 for \$10.00**

LADY ILSE (Smith '51) ML-41" A superb powder blue that has impressed Irisarrians due to its great size, its beautiful color and its exquisite ruffling. Will prove very effective both in the garden and on the show bench. **HM'52; AM'55** [Jane Phillips X Keene Valley] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

LATE SNOW (Douglas '53) L-VL-42" A wonderful, dependable late white that greatly prolongs the season of white Iris in the garden. Unsurpassed substance and branching. A large tailored white with pale yellow beard. Very impressive. [Vigil X Themesong] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

MAGIC CARPET ML-32" See Ektachrome, page 14. Standards vivid gold. Falls cream, with rippling waves of deepest rose. You'll love it. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c; 3 for \$2.00**

MAJORETTE (Miess '53) ML-37" A different, interesting Iris that has form, substance, branching; in fact, everything! Falls red-maroon with striking white beard and epaulet-like white plicata markings on hafts. The rosy-mauve standards stand up like a majorette's tall hat. In this day of hundreds of Iris introductions it's a joy to find an Iris that is truly different. **JC'55; AM'56** [Golden Gleam X Wayfarer] Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.15**

MAYTIME (Whiting '50) ML-40" Heralded as finest rose-pink amoena, a breeding triumph. Standards pale orchid-pink, nicely rounded, cupped. Falls broad and round, deep rose, contrasting sharply with standards. Your garden needs this beautiful pink. **AM'53** - [Pathfinder X Shannopin] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3, \$3.85; 10, \$10**

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MEXIGLOW (Crosby '53) M-34" Named for two illustrious parents, Mexico and Mellowglow. A very fitting name, so expressive of the glowing golden brown and copper coloring, with a rich flush of violet in the falls. A real beauty! **HC'51, Seedling Cup, Salt Lake City '52** [Mexico X Mellowglow] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.40; 3 for \$6.85**

MISCHIEF (Reinhardt '55) ML-34" A very striking variegata in a completely new color combination that is a real color break. Standards brilliant golden-yellow; falls deep red-orange, flaring, with no haft markings. At Salt Lake A.I.S. Convention it was declared the brightest Iris ever seen. Orange beard; good substance, stands all weather conditions. A prolific grower and good breeder, with plenty of pollen. [Red Torch X Gypsy] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.95**

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MOHAVE GOLD (Sass '55) ML-40" Will please everyone looking for best in this color. A majestic, imposing Iris of gigantic proportions in deep golden orange. Finely branched; a stalk is a sight one doesn't forget. Doubly welcome, too, for it begins at end of midseason, continues until most others are gone. [Involving Ola Kala, Ella Callis & Mattie Gates] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.50; 3 for \$24.25**

MONIQUE (McKee '56) ML-38" Wide yellow amoena with white standards, clear medium-yellow falls. Nicely ruffled. Final outcome of Mr. McKee's work in line breeding for four generations, involving mainly inbreeding with variety Fairday. Should be highly useful for crosses with Stevens, Wills and Brummitt Iris in this color range. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$17.95**

MOONLIGHT SERENADE EM-42" Huge white with lemon cream undertones. A winner on show bench. **HM'52.** Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

MOULIN ROUGE (Tompkins '54) ML-38" A monstrous crimson-red that is so dark it is almost black yet retains a remarkable brilliance. Its glowing color and long season of bloom make it a great favorite. Flowers nicely spaced on strong, well branched stalks, carrying a great many buds. An Iris that will command attention in any garden. **HC'53; HM'54** [Caravan X Bandit] Reg. \$5; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.05**

MYSTIC MELODY (Stevens '51) M-36" There is a haunting loveliness about the butter yellow of the falls and the luminous shimmering cream of standards that weaves a spell over the beholder. Elegant and lovely. **HM'52; AM'55** .. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.20; 3 for \$3.40; 10 for \$7.50**

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RASPBERRY RIBBON — Bold new plicata — \$1.50



RUFFLED ORGANDY — Page 21
Perfection in form and color — \$2.50

✱**SOLID MAHOGANY** E to M-36" Very finest inexpensive red..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

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✱**SUMMIT** EM-40" Among the three somewhat similar yellow amoenas this has by far the strongest contrast between standards and falls. Standards pure snow white, falls deep golden yellow..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

✱**SUNSET BLAZE** VE-42" A huge golden flame-salmon blend so brilliant it is almost red. Nicely ruffled. Stalks extra tall, widely branched. **President's Cup '49**..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

SURPRISE PARTY (Kleinsorge '55) M-36" A surprise indeed, for this is an entirely new and exciting color combination. Just imagine **rosy lilac** standards and **apricot-yellow** falls. Extra well branched. HM'56; JC'57 [(Chamois x Cascade Splendor) X Opal Cloud]..... Regularly \$5; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

SWAN BALLET (Muhlestein '55) M to L-40" **Glorious pure white**. Has received as much fame in Iris world as is possible without achieving Dykes Medal. Was at very top of elite Judge's Choice list in '56; in '57 it topped AM list. A.I.S. Bulletins abound in high praises for this beauty, such as "Finest white I've ever seen." "A white with a white beard and super substance." The form is delightful with just enough ruffling to give it grace and charm. **Fertile both ways**. A single cross, Swan Ballet X Mount Emmons; has already yielded two dandies: Uintah and Lilac Bouquet. **Better look twice before you pass up this one!** HM'55; AM'57..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$11.95; 3 for \$34.05**

TABASCO M-38" A stunning fancy; may be likened to **paprika sprinkled over an omelet**. Deep yellow with all-over sprinkling of rich orange-red. HM'54..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c**

TAHOLAH (Gibson '56) ML-36" An Iris of spontaneous popularity, almost at top of '58 AM's. A big ruffled novelty, long period of bloom. A stunning plicata with a yellow-cream ground. Standards heavily shaded cinnamon-red; falls evenly brushed with same russet-red tinge. **Consistent vigorous performer of superb form and color**. Not easy to pod, but a wonderful producer of quality when seed-production can be induced. The Indian name means "Village by the Sea." JC'57, AM'58 (Sdlg. X Fire-cracker]..... Regularly \$12.00; on \$20 order **\$10.20; 3 for \$29.05**



TABU (Schreiner '54) M-38" Bob Schreiner has been breeding blacks for many years, and here is his blackest. An unmatched black self which he says is his favorite among the ebony blue-black Iris. A supremely luxurious velvety flower that you will be proud to have in your garden. Sumptuously exotic, will simply take your breath away. HM'54; JC'55 — [Black Forest X Storm King].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

THE CITADEL (Watkins-Graves '54) M-38" A most beautiful pure white imaginable — a magnificent large white of intense purity, having no other color, even in the heart of the flower. Has been characterized as the whitest of all white Iris. Flowers heavy substance and beautifully formed, with flaring falls. This is quality plus. JC'55; RU-AM'58 [Helen McKenzie X Jane Phillips]...Reg. \$7.00; on \$10 order **\$4.65; 3 for \$12.55**

THE MAD HATTER (Lyon '51) M & L-42" Color is the deepest of maroon reds with velvety falls overlaid with blackish maroon. An imposing flower abundantly produced on tall stalks; good branching. Sweet pleasing fragrance. May rebloom. [Ranger X Cordovan].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

THOTMES III (Kleingsorge '50) ML-40" A beautiful brown to adorn your garden. A gigantic Iris with extra broad falls and heavy texture in a glistening golden brown with an illusive iridescence. Won silver medal at London Iris Show. Will be in heavy demand for years to come. HM'51; AM'53 [Mexico X Kleingsorge 314].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

ULTRA VIOLET (Buss '55) EM-36" Aptly named, for this does, as the name implies, go beyond others in this same color class. Very notably a very deep violet color persists throughout the flower, even including the beard. Instead of thinning out, the depth of color is strengthened by a smooth touch of brown at hafts. A large broadly petaled flower, serenely beautiful.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

UTAH SUNSET (Muhlestein '51) EM-32" Large, smooth blend. Simply luscious in its blending of onion-skin pink, buff and salmon. Every garden visitor is drawn to its size and coloring. The hafts are so smooth and unlined it will be a boon to hybridizers. HC'49 [Honeyflow X 46-16]...Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65; 10 for \$10**

VENGEANCE (Craig '56) ML-36" Tom struck it lucky when this debonair new Iris appeared in his seedbed, for it is as ruffled and lovely as a party dress. A white plicata with standards strongly flushed and peppered lavender; falls dotted and edged lavender. Many large flowers on widely branched stems. Rapid increaser; hence a low price for such a fine new one. Try it. [Frosty X Gene Wild].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.50**

VIOLET HARMONY (Lowry '52) M-40" A magnificent large ruffled violet that has been widely and favorably commented on in the bulletins for the past several years. So outstanding that it easily won the President's Cup the year after its introduction. A gorgeous wide violet self that has been grown to its full glory in many different states and should certainly do well for you. Luckily this beauty has pollen and sets seed readily. Dykes '57 [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle]...Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

VOODOO M to L-34" Chocolate brown and black....Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **65c**

WEDDING BOUQUET (Buttrick '52) M-35" Artfully named, indeed, for it is truly an exquisite Wedding Bouquet — a very ruffled white opening from chartreuse buds, and having green showing thru the center of the flower and a green midrib. Has had wide acceptance thruout U.S. and England. An aristocratic flower greatly admired wherever grown. The pure white ruffled flowers are broad, full petaled, and heavily substance; falls nearly horizontal; beard cream. Runner-up for President's Cup in '53, now down in price where everyone can have it. HM'52, AM'56 [Snow Flurry X (Easter Morn x White Goddess) x Cloud Castle].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

WELL CONTENT (Wills '45) ML-36" Certainly one of the most colorful blends available today — a fusion of salmon, rosy pink and coppery gold with a wonderful luminous quality that adds greatly to its beauty. Smooth flowers, lovely in form and finish. A fine show flower; should win many blue ribbons. [Chosen x Conestoga] X (Prairie Sunset x Lancaster)].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.55; 3 for \$7.25**

WHISPERS M to L-42" Ruffled standards chrome yellow, nearly horizontal falls of amber white. Wide low branching. HM'52....Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

WHITE RUFFLES ML-44" Large beautifully ruffled white.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30**

WIDE WORLD (Cook '54) M-38" The first of a new race of imbricata hybrid Iris, being bred by Paul Cook. A new color break in a blue and white reversed bicolor that is scheduled to bring forth as many enthusiastic "ohs" and "ahs" as did Dave Hall's pinks when they were first seen. Low branched. Pollen abundant, so now you can easily get imbricata blood into your hybrids. HM'54 — [Iris Imbricata sdlg. X Tall Bearded blue]....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

YLEM (Lapham '54) ML-36" I have waited several years to offer this to you, for I knew I would have to propagate a large stock to last thru the season. Why? Because everyone has been awaiting true reds, and this is undoubtedly the truest and nearest to spectrum red of any Iris yet introduced. A color so intense and true that it glows even on a cloudy day. Color actually approaches scarlet, a color advance that has been sought for decades. Unlike most reds, has the constancy and purity of a self; even has smooth clean hafts. Standards have a satiny finish, whereas the falls are quite velvety. Not as wide of form as some of Mr. Lapham's other reds, but everyone will want it just for the color. Has abundant pollen. Mr. Lapham writes me that he and Paul Cook prize Ylem as a breeder. He has found that it throws its color; he and Paul are counting heavily on this for breeding still better reds. Try crossing Ylem with Defiance, Bang and Frontier Days, and you may well end up with that super-red for which we have all been waiting. [Relentless X Pace-maker].....Regularly \$9.00; on \$10 order **\$8.10**

MY FAVORITE TALL BEARDED — SPECIAL NO. 48 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in Tall Bearded Iris for **\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00**, as you prefer.

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Iris NOVELTIES and RARITIES

Strange and Unusual Iris to Amaze Your Friends

FLAT-BEARDED IRIS — (Cont. from back cover)

Like Japanese Iris, But Much Easier to Grow

BELLA MOHR (Ohl '55) M-36" Imagine an "Elmohr" with "Sable" coloring, and a form that sometimes partially or fully flattens out. Quite something! Huge, wide full flowers in glowing blackish purple. Wonderful substance. An Oncobred that is a knockout! HM'56 [William Mohr X Sable]...Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

CLEMATIS L-30" Variable, but flowers tend strongly to flatten out and many have 6 bearded petals instead of 3. A light violet-blue with bright lilac flush thru center of falls. Very interesting! Usually has viable pollen.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

DOROTHEA VE-16" Trim modern form with stiff flaring falls? Goodness no, this has that delightful wind-blown effect. A lavender white, dappled amethyst.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

FLURRY MOHR (Rees '50) E-42" A huge rich deep violet Oncobred from Snow Flurry X Capitola. Standards tend to flatten out somewhat so this makes a wonderful single-flower arrangement, or an ideal flat-dish display. Gives a breath-taking effect and your friends will be amazed.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

LITTLE FREAK (John Steel) M-32" A pretty white plicata that flattens out like a Japanese Iris, but quite unlike the beardless Japanese, this regularly has six yellow beards. Attractive edging of violet. Pollen variable, sometimes plentiful. A heavy increaser.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

NO-TOP (Mrs. L. B. Lawson '58) M-36" NO-TOP is the name given Mrs. Lawson's No. 53-7, which caused much favorable comment at the Memphis Convention. Mrs. Elby Martin wrote it caused more comment than any other Iris. Mrs. W. J. Hinkle commented: "Japanese form; five styles; greenest iris seen." A large flat flower, 6-7 inches across, no stamens or pollen but will set seed. Flower sometimes seems pure white, without the greenish tinge. [Purissima X Spindrift].....Regularly \$12.00; on \$20 order **\$11.40**

OTHER STRANGE AND UNUSUAL IRIS

CORSAGE (Watkins '55) E-LM-32" One of the few Iris I would not be without. Nothing else like it; a delight to all who have seen it. Pure satiny white, Pixie-painted and haphazardly splashed with brilliant yellow in a gay pattern; no two petals are ever alike. Has terrific garden appeal. Stock very limited; order today...Reg. \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$3.50**

CRAZY QUILT (Vallette '58) M-36" A strange yellow plicata, standards washed light bronzy-red, often irregularly streaked and splashed in bright lilac in a crazy-quilt design. Falls creamy yellow, stippled and edged wine-red. Amount of streaking and splashing in flowers increases as clump gets older, often becoming very striking. Markings extremely variable, with no two flowers, nor even two petals, just alike. [Ruth Pollock X Peachblow].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

CUBA LIBRE (Plough '57) EM-35" A real novelty in a fancy type plicata. Standards pansy violet; falls plum purple. Striking, unusual features are the hafts and throat of bright clear yellow. Pronounced Cu'ba Lee'bray. Try for something really different. [Aladdin's Wish X Pretty Pansy]....Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

ELIZABETH HUNTINGTON VE-20" Most novel of all blue Iris. A remarkable Intermediate with petals heavily crinkled like crepe paper. Large flowers in lilac-blue. Pollen plentiful [Sport of Zua].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

PINAFORE LASS (F. Cook '51) EM-38" Falls heavily gathered, pleated so form of flower is like nothing you've seen before — but in a way it has the flatness and appeal of a Japanese Iris. Coloring, too, carries out this similarity, for white center on lilac-blue suggests a blaze on Japanese Iris. Something really novel. Fragrant. HM'52 [Snow Flurry X White Wedgewood].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

PINK MARBLE (Austin '55) E-24" The white marbling in the green leaves is a curious, decorative phenomenon giving an appearance quite distinct from the striping in the leaves of Zebra. A bright orchid-rose self, full and rounded, with broad petals and stiffly arched standards, typical of true Oncobreds. Grown from embryo-cultured seed [Cherie X Capitola].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.50; 3 for \$7.15**

THURLOW WEED (Weed '43) EM-38" Oddest, strangest Iris in my garden. Instead of usual 3 standards and 3 falls, this has 6 nearly identical petals strongly curved and arched in open cup-like fashion. More like a pitcher plant or fly-catcher, or even a golden tulip, than an Iris. The 3 petals corresponding to falls sometimes have slight vestiges of beards down inside, but all 6 petals are quite beardless from external appearance. So this is, essentially, a "Bearded" Iris without a beard. A creamy white, heavily flushed and veined in yellow.....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

ZEBRA (Pallida variegata) M-30" A novelty needed in every garden. Leaves striped in creamy yellow and green in pattern much like that of a zebra. Has striking ornamental value from March to November. Just the thing for individualistic flower arrangements and corsages. Flowers light blue, with grape perfume. Best used as edgings or clumps to attract attention, so I give you special low group prices. See Ektachrome 2 for \$1.95; on \$10 order **3 for \$1.95; 5 for \$2.95; 10 for \$5.00**

ZUA VE-14" Original crepe-paper Iris. A frosty white with petals crinkled and creped. Early-blooming Intermediate....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

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For the First Time — A Separate Listing of
The Twice-Blooming SUMMER BLOOMERS
 A Very New and Much Needed Race

HAIL THIS NEW RACE: The interest in Summer Bloomers, and also the number of varieties, has pyramided so rapidly I am this year, for the first time, establishing these as a separate race, in their own right. According to my records, and those of many of my customers in various states, these start their **SECOND** bloom in June, July or August, and then continue blooming to varying degrees on thru the fall. They are, then, classed as "Summer Bloomers" based on the time when they are likely to **start** reblooming. In most varieties the tendency for repeat blooming is not yet as strong as that for normal spring bloom, but I am now concentrating my breeding efforts on producing better and even more reliable summer and early fall bloomers. Watch for new introductions in my later catalogs.

At present the behavior records for many different parts of the country are quite incomplete and I will welcome detailed reports giving the dates of reblooming of these and other varieties and seedlings. These remountants that rebloom early should constitute excellent parental breeding material for ambitious hybridizers working for everblooming Iris.

CULTURE, HARDINESS, SHIPPING, etc., as for Autumn Bloomers, page 25.

Newest SUMMER Bloomers

Four From Percy Brown

You may have the first 2 for **\$6.95**; the last 2 for **\$5.95**; all 4 only **\$11.95**

AUGUST INDIAN (Brown '57) +22" A welcome addition to new race of Summer Bloomers. First rebloomed for originator, Percy Brown, in Mass., on Aug. 19. Later a second stalk on same plant shot up, began blooming Oct. 9; third stalk was up to 2" when frost came Oct. 12. A striking variegata, or bicolor; closed ecru standards, falls red-purple, shading to brown at edge, with center line. Stalks usually have 3 branches with 6 buds. [Autumn Twilight X Potawatomi] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

AUTUMN AFTERNOON (Brown '55) +30" Here is a very pleasing color combination with closed standards in clear apricot yellow, and flaring falls in pinkish lavender. While too new for complete evaluation, this appears to have a very strong tendency for reblooming, and usually early reblooming. Percy Brown reports to me that in '58 this began blooming the 1st of August, and stalks were still coming on in early October. Every sizeable rhizome that was established rebloomed, and even among those that were separated and transplanted in August, three out of five bloomed that same fall. As in the case of most of Percy's new remountants, this comes from two of the best of the known rebloomers; so should prove to be an excellent parent for those working along this line. Sets seed but no pollen. [Sally Ann X Autumn Twilight]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.50**

FALL PRIMROSE (Brown '56) +30" My favorite of Percy's new Summer Bloomers. Has bloomed here all thru August, and at Staten Island, New York, it started blooming in late August. In tests so far it has rebloomed without fail. A primrose yellow self, bright yellow hafts and beard; sets seed. Crossed with other fall bloomers it is already yielding a fine series of new remountants, including September Sunshine, available soon. [Redwyne X Autumn Twilight]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**; 3 for **\$9.55**

SUMMER SURPRISE (Brown '56) +36" Tallest, best branched of Percy's new "summers." The 36" stalks have 5 branches with up to 20 buds. Closed standards delicate ecru; falls lilac pink with slight flare. Rebloomed in Mass. on August 19. With this height, with its known seed-setting ability, should be top-notch for every hybridizer. [(Autumn Twilight x Halloween Night) X Autumn Twilight].... Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95**

AUGUST WAVES (Brown '41) +22" A pretty neglecta. Reblooms from August to frost in cold climates or warm ones. Most welcome as Iris bloom is at its lowest ebb in August. Standards pale blue. Falls flaring, rich violet Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

AUTUMN ELF +M-15" Rebloomed summer & fall in Mass. Proven summer & fall bloomer for cold climates. Olive green & lavender. Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **55c**

★**AUTUMN QUEEN** +8" Sometimes everblooming, April to November. Pure white, white beard Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **40c**; 3 for **\$1.15**

★**AUTUMN TWILIGHT** (Brown '48) +L-32" My personal favorite of the Percy Brown persistent fall bloomers that we grow. Exceedingly colorful. Great numbers of large flowers with sparkling golden cream standards and bright orchid pink falls. Blooms with other Iris in the spring and then reblooms heavily from August to November. Dependable fall bloomer even in cold climates. Lots of good pollen. A real find! Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95**; 3 for **\$5.55**

Indianapolis, Indiana, Sept. 4, 1955. "In the fall blooming Iris I have had almost continuous bloom from July 10th. Now AUTUMN TWILIGHT is in bloom, with OCTOBER SHADOWS to open soon, and more stalks coming on AUTUMN ELF. It has been quite a surprise to many visitors to walk in the yard and see iris in bloom in midsummer." Earl Roberts.

BARRE BEAUTY (Brown '53) +24" Percy Brown says this is one of his most reliable summer and fall bloomers. Should repeat performance in any of our colder states. A pleasing lilac bitone with standards pale lavender, falls pinkish amethyst. [September Sparkler X Unknown] Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**; 3 for **\$2.40**

CUPID'S DART (Craig '53) +M-45" A pinkish ivory self with orange tangerine beard that may be likened to a picturesque blond with unrestrained make-up. The bright beard is like a clear cut dash of lipstick on a powder pink countenance. The smooth haft-cheeks are deeply rouged intense, warm pink. A giant twice-bloomer that might well be Mt. Washington in a bright new color. Flowers heavily in both spring and fall. The finest landscape pink I know. [(Mt. Washington x Flora Zenor) X Sib.] Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95**; 3 for **\$8.40**

ETHEL PECKHAM +M-28" A striking dark red blooming in August and September, as well as spring. Reported from northern Idaho as blooming "as persistently as a Fuller brush salesman." HM'32, AM'36 Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

★**GIBSON GIRL** +M-36" Spring, summer and fall bloomer. Light pinkish mulberry and deep rose mulberry peppered on cream ground. Very large, outstanding, a wonderful dollar value. Usually starts its second bloom in August and blooms on and on until cut down by heavy frosts. [Madame Louis Aureau X Tiffany]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**; 3 for **\$1.85**

OCTOBER SHADOWS (Brown '52) +E to L-28" Starts with a long spring bloom; reblooms prolifically July to October, approaching everblooming. Standards light silvery lilac flushed yellow. Falls lilac rose. Slender tall stalks, wide low branching, 12 flowers per stalk. Pollen plentiful; very good seed setter. Enticingly fragrant. [September Sparkler X Autumn Sunset]..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.20**



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 with BOTH for only **\$4.75**

JOSEPH'S MANTLE — May bloom in summer, but heavier in spring & Oct.; page 26.

★**JULY BEAUTY** +EM-28" One of best for bloom and crossing for everbloomers. Sometimes starts fall bloom as early as July; may continue till Dec. Light lilac blue & deep amethyst. Stems heavily branched, up to 20 buds. Very outstanding in our garden last fall. Reported as fall bloomer in Mass. Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**; 3 for **\$1.85**

"I am happy to tell you that your iris July Beauty has given me more pleasure than any other I have ever grown over a very long period of gardening. From the rhizome purchased from you 2 years back, I now have several divisions. The divisions bloom while still quite young, and this year I have had bloom on the plants in April, June, July, September & October. More buds are coming now that will carry them into November. I have them blooming with yellow marguerites at present (Oct. 20) and their lovely blue color would be equally good with yellow or bronze chrysanthemums." Mrs. Chas. J. Oram, Menlo Park, California.

PAPOOSE +E-6" Done in Indian Colors, fawn & mahogany. Long spring bloom, plus 3 months fall bloom. Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **55c**

★**PERSIAN PATTERN** (Craig '50) +EM-35" An Oncobred widely reported as a twice bloomer or everbloomer. Mrs. Grant Merrill (Red Bluff, Calif.) says "We had blooms on and off all year." Bloomed every month for Mrs. Mary E. Knopf, Campbell, Calif. Standards gold-buff, olive cast, flushed lilac. Falls with a heavily etched pattern of grayish crimson. One of the potential parents of a new everblooming race. Better find out what it will do for you. [Gay Senorita X Ib-Mac, True]... Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35**; 3 for **\$3.85**

PRIORITY (Lapham '45) +M-26" The best red fall bloomer in my collection. A very persistent rebloomer, blooming for us on 4 different occasions last summer and fall. Standards light crimson; falls dark velvety crimson. Unusual decorative features are the deep amethyst stigmas, contrasting sharply with the yellow style crests. HM'47 [(Rameses x (M. A. Porter x Jerry)) X Red Ray] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

SANGREAL +EM-24" Approaches an everbloomer; after blooming normally in the spring, gave me the heaviest summer bloom of any bearded Iris last summer blooming all thru Aug., with some fall bloom, too. Attractive light yellow self with deep yellow veins Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **40c**

SEPTEMBER SPARKLER (Brown '53) +28" Blooms here in Spring and off and on from June to November. Approaches ever-blooming tendencies. Standards nicely cupped, pale elusive lavender with a golden halo at base. Falls deep blue lilac with striking maroon reticulations and yellow beard. Four-way branching starts near ground. Up to 16 buds per stalk. Sets seed easily; has good pollen. Seed parent of most of Mr. Brown's fall bloomers. Top-notch for any hybridizer. Regularly \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.90**; 3 for **\$5.40**

TWO FOR TEA (Auten '48) +M-20" A Table Iris that blooms spring, summer and fall. A delicate, dainty orchid-pink self, slender stemmed. I had some in bloom almost continuously last summer and fall. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

SUMMER and AUTUMN Blooming Collections

MY FAVORITE SUMMERS — SPECIAL NO. 29 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the twice-blooming Summer Bloomers for **\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00**, as you prefer.

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USES AND BLOOMING SEASON: All through the long fall visitors keep asking us what we do to make our IRIS bloom again in the fall. It is not so much what we do, as the particular varieties we grow that have this inherent tendency. This is a rapidly evolving new class of Iris that gives you bloom TWICE a year at no higher cost than the usual once-bloomers. These bloom in the spring, and then give a repeat performance in the fall, the dates varying greatly with different varieties. A few are very new FREQUENT BLOOMERS, or EVERBLOOMERS, giving a display three or more times a year. Below and on the Summer and Winter pages are 92 varieties from 27 hybridizers in 12 states, including Massachusetts, Illinois, Utah, Indiana, New York, Iowa, Tennessee and California. Most varieties of Autumn Bloomers tend to start bloom in the spring one to five weeks before the Tall Bearded. Thus they serve to lengthen your spring season as well as to add fall bloom to your garden.

HEIGHT AND SIZE OF FLOWER: Not many years ago all of the fall bloomers were low-growing plants with small flowers. Now tall varieties, with flowers as large as Tall Bearded Iris are becoming available in various colors.

CULTURE and HOW TO ENCOURAGE AUTUMN BLOOM: General culture same as for Tall Bearded, page 5. Details for special culture of all Two-Season Iris to help encourage repeat blooming, even in cold northern climates, is included in cultural directions sent with all orders.

HARDINESS, SHIPPING and PLANTING TIMES: Same as for Tall Bearded, page 5.

Bloom Again to November and in Spring

Guide to Time of SECOND Blooming

EARLY FALL BLOOMERS — (Generally these are the best ones for Autumn bloom in cold climates, but also see note on next group); August Waves, Autumn Delight, Autumn Elf, Autumn Flame, Autumn Queen, Autumn Twilight, Barre Beauty, Blue Mascot, Gibson Girl, July Beauty, Menominee, Nappanee, Potawatomi, Sangreal, September Sparkler, Two-for-Tea, Western Hills, Zulu Warrior.

MID FALL BLOOMERS — (Those given in bold type have already proved to be dependable twice-bloomers in cold climates, such as Mass.): Autumn Sunset, Fall Frills, Halloween Night, Harvest Blue, Lady Moon, October Shadows, Polar King, Sally Ann.

LATE FALL BLOOMERS — (Give fine spring bloom almost anywhere, but best suited to mild climates for fall bloom. See also my offerings in WINTER BLOOMERS, page 28: Autumn Orchid, Ball Gown, Blue Surprise, Champagne Velvet, Buckthorn Brown, Fair Enough, Green Goddess, Green Hope, Joseph's Mantle, Mishawaka, Moon Goddess, Mount Timp, Pink Lace, Scarlet Tiger.

See also my listing of SUMMER BLOOMERS on page 24. All of these generally continue to bloom on into the fall months. All with summer blooming tendencies are marked +.

MY '59 INTRODUCTIONS IN AUTUMNS

4 Tangerine-Bearded Two-Season Iris In My MILESTONE SERIES

You may have the first 2 for \$8.75; the last 2 for \$5.95;
all 4 for \$12.95

There is such a persistent demand for colorful NEW autumn bloomers, especially ones with tangerine beards, that I am introducing below some of my best ones to date, even tho I feel they have not reached the stage of technical perfection for which I am striving. This is a great advantage to the average gardener, as it means that I am introducing these four new ones in my Milestone Series at very low prices, to make them generally available at once, without years of waiting for the prices to come down. Splendid material, too, for hybridizers; I will use them heavily in my 1959 and 1960 crosses for better rebloomers. Why not join the fun?

AUTUMN PRINCESS (Austin '59) 32" I call this Autumn Princess as it is like a Fall Blooming Pagan Princess (in full color on page 7), which was its seed-parent. The coloring of this bitone is just a little pinker than in Pagan Princess. A fine large flower that has been much admired. In my trial garden it has rebloomed in Sept., October and November, and one year, even in December. [Pagan Princess X Clasmont].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order \$5.00; 3 for \$14.25

DOUBLE DUTY (Austin '59) VE-32" Yes, this is a real "Double Duty" Iris, and is hard to beat for lengthening out your blooming season at both ends. In the spring it blooms ahead of almost all Tall Bearded; then it blooms again quite heavily in October and November. A lovely light salmon-pink, much like the famous Strathmore; falls slightly creamy buff-pink; beard tangerine.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$4.00

FALL FLAMINGO (Austin '59) 34" A heavy and fairly early Fall Bloomer that usually reblooms thru most of September and October. Both the smooth pink coloring and the form are much like those of Cloudcap (pictured in color on page 6, except that hafts are somewhat yellower). The very bright red-tangerine beard is a prominent feature of this striking flower.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$4.00

FALL SURPRISE (Austin '59) 36" Yes, it will be a surprise to everyone to see this Iris blooming in the Fall, for there is no other fall-blooming tangerine-bearded Iris that is so close to yellow. Standards orange cream; falls yellowish apricot, with bright yellow hafts and a red-tangerine beard. Fall blooming tendency apparently comes from its seed-parent Fantasy, while its novel yellowish coloring is inherited from its pollen parent Hi-Time. Unsurpassed as a parent for breeding a fall blooming pure yellow with a red beard.....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order \$2.50

AUTUMN DELIGHT (Austin '52) + EM-30" Most continuous, heaviest bloomer of our 80 varieties of fall bloomers. Standards light amethyst pink with silvery tone, arched, gently waved. Falls deep rosy mulberry. Blooms in spring, starts again in September (or earlier) and blooms for 6 to 8 weeks. Up to 16 buds per stalk. Not only a very heavy fall bloomer but also an oddity as it has an inconstant number of standards. While there are usually 3, occasionally there will be just 1 or 2. Delightfully fragrant, pollen abundant.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order \$1.75; 3 for \$5.00

AUTUMN ORCHID (Austin '56) 36" An absolute self in bright rosy or magenta violet, with prominent yellow beard. Nicely arched and domed standards, semi-flaring falls. Has one of the longest fall blooming periods of any Iris. Started its second or fall bloom late last October and bloomed for two full months. Branching simply superb; usually 6 branches per stalk, the lower ones 15" to 20" long and re-branched, even in the fall. With so many buds there are often 4 flowers open at once on each stalk. Should prove a boon to breeders of Autumn bloomers as very few have height and really good branching. Very fragrant. [Christensen's Elmoir Seedling x King High] X Self].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order \$1.95

AUTUMN SUNSET 32" Bred from 2 Dykes winners. Light bronzy pink and crimson pink edged bronze. Very colorful. [Rosy Wings X Rameses]... Reg. 75c; on \$10 order 70c

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GLOWING AMBER — For Color on into Fall. Page 26.

MY FEATURE OFFERING FOR 1959

BLUE SURPRISE (Austin '57) EM-ML-36" BLUE SURPRISE surprises everyone in more ways than one. Perhaps first for its heavy tendency to rebloom in late fall, and to send forth at that time, as well as in spring, a generous supply of the largest and finest flowers of any of our blue rebloomers. Last fall every visitor to the garden marveled at the abundance of bloom, the size and beauty of the flowers, the bright light blue color, the extraordinary substance, and perhaps most of all, at its ever-evident and enticing fragrance. It is probably the most fragrant variety in our entire garden! A bouquet of BLUE SURPRISE will quickly perfume an entire room. Then, too, this is the Iris that takes the weather, and whatever the weather man has to offer. It demonstrated its weather-resisting qualities in 1956 when it came through a severe hail storm with flying colors when nearly every other variety was riddled to shreds. In adverse weather one realizes quickly that one good Iris is worth a dozen poor ones. Has a white flush around creamy beard. Beautifully ruffled, as may be seen in my full color photograph on front cover. Sets seed when crossed with other Autumns and with the newer fertile Oncobreds. Branching quite good. Breeders everywhere will want this, some for certain of its good qualities, and some for others. And believe it or not, I'm including BLUE SURPRISE as one of the 4 where you get 3 for the Sale Price of 1 if you find the Secret Words. See page 20. [Berkeley Blue X Chivalry].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order \$6.95; 3 for \$19.80

"Blue Surprise is a winner. The blue is such a lovely blue and the stalk is sturdy and the plant a husky grower." Mrs. Boots Meyer, Fayetteville, New York.
"Blue Surprise was well liked by visitors." Warren Mack, Rochester, New York.

Percy's 4 NEWEST Fall Bloomers

You may have the first 2 for \$4.95; the last 2 for \$8.95;
all 4 for only \$12.95

Dr. Percy Brown has been breeding Autumn Blooming Iris in Massachusetts for the past twenty years. He has developed a whole series of splendid varieties that give bloom each year in fall in the rigorous climate of New England. Dr. Brown's varieties should give fall bloom in almost any state in the Union. His 4 newest Autumn Bloomers are below; his 4 newest Summer Bloomers are grouped together on opposite page; 8 of his older varieties are listed alphabetically with the Summer and Autumn Bloomers.

AUTUMN BRONZE (Brown '56) 34" You'll surely want this tallest of Percy's new series of Autumn Bloomers. Stalks have 4 branches, often reach 34". Shows influence of its seed-parent, Western Hills, a skyscraper among Autumn Bloomers. Standards closed, golden bronze; falls bronzy crimson, edged brown, slightly flaring; orange beard. Has bloomed all thru Sept. and Oct. in New York and Mass. Pollen fertile; sets seed. [Western Hills X Autumn Twilight].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order \$2.65

AUTUMN SNOWDRIFT (Brown '55) 28" Certainly outstanding for its exceptionally lovely flowers, and for persistent reblooming, even in cold northern climates. Mrs. Herrick, in Wayne, Maine, near very top of map, got a fine stalk last Oct. Percy had many in bloom in Mass. in early Oct. From present indications, will rebloom in fall thruout nearly all of northern and eastern parts of U.S. A beautifully ruffled crystalline white, nicely arched standards, semi-flaring falls, wash of lilac at hafts. Beard bright yellow, conspicuous. Heavy low branching, 16 buds and flowers per stalk. Pollen good; sets seed freely. Marked sweet fragrance. [Tinted Porcelain x Autumn Twilight] X (Autumn Twilight x Glowport)].....Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order \$2.95

GREEN DRAGON (Brown '55) E-M-29" Percy's first contribution to the much-sought new "greens," and one that has been bred for fall bloom. Standards greenish yellow chartreuse, closed; falls veined brown on a lavender base. [October Shadows X Autumn Twilight].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$4.75

SEPTEMBER PASTEL (Brown '57) 22" Most fragrant of this significant new group. A bitone, pleasingly colored in soft tints; will appeal to all who love pastel colorings. Standards closed, pale amethyst; falls a shade darker. A reliable fall bloomer; blooms thru most of Sept. and Oct. if weather permits. Stalks have 3 well-placed branches, about 9 buds. [October Shadows X Fall Fairy].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$4.75



← PINK LACE

+ M-36" Outstanding as a fall-blooming Flamingo pink, second only to Fall Frills & Fantasy. Among the best of earlier introductions. Only inexpensive one that blooms well in fall & spring. A real bargain at this low price. Flowers salmon pink with tangerine beard. Nicely formed, of medium size. Seed set last spring on Pink Lace using pollen of 5 tangerine-bearded pinks. Now you try it! [(Dore x Matula) X Flora Zenor]. See **Ektachrome**. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order**95c**

Pink Lace with Sally Ann & Savage for only\$4.75

AUTUMN FLAME 30" Fine for early fall bloom. Large, wine-red bitone with velvety falls. Grand. Fragrant. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order**85c; 3 for \$2.40**

ALMOND BLOSSOM (Craig '53) **+ M-40"** A new tall fall bloomer in clear peach-blossom pink, baby pink hafts, ibis pink beard. Reported by Peg Dabagh to be in bloom in July in Berkeley, Calif., and to bloom 3 times a year there. Lovely and especially prolific of bloom. [Hall 42-07 X Peach Parfait sib.]...Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

BALL GOWN (Craig '50) **ML-L-35"** A twice-blooming version of Oriental Glory. Standards red-bronze, falls glistening reddish copper, large bright violet signal. Beard heavy, harmonizing golden bronze. Branching good. Sweetly fragrant. Pollen plentiful. My heaviest 1955 seed setter with Gatesii pollen! [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Sultan's Robe].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

BEARDED LADY (Craig '55) **E-36"** Huge ruffled bright pinkish-orchid fancy. Long spring bloom, again in fall. Color has unusual carrying power. Sometimes produces horns; should be crossed with various members of my new Horned race (page 4). [(Joseph's Mantle x Novelty) X Heatherlands]....Reg. \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.35**

BEAU CATCHER (Craig '55) **E-L-36"** For beauty of flower, or mass effect, Beau Catcher is hard to match. Standards creamy pink, nicely arched; falls uniquely colored yellow-cream flushed pink; beard pinkish-red tangerine. Long spring bloom plus fall bloom. Has an affinity for several of the newer C. G. White Oncobreds. Has podded when pollinated with Asoka of Nepal, King Henry and Krim Aga. [Hall 44-05 X Cupid's Dart]....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$12.10**

BLUE MASCOT 4" Large, charming lilac-blue....Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **55c**

BUCKTHORN BROWN (Milliken '48) **36"** The best of all bronze autumn bloomers! A ruffled and rippled light bronzy brown with elusive hints of blue and mauve in the strongly flaring falls. Style crests golden buff faintly streaked in green. Beard intense yellow. Good sized flowers on well branched stalks with about 8 buds. Fragrant.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

CARABELLA (DeForest '49) **36"** The largest inexpensive Flamingo Pink that blooms in the spring and then again in the fall. A luscious light salmon pink with a large prominent orange-tangerine beard. **HM'49**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

CHAMPAGNE VELVET (Sass '55) **M-35"** A handsome new fancy with satin white falls, bordered with a bright band of bright violet put on with minute dots. Standards bright purple, waved and ruffled. Substance very heavy; falls semi-flaring. Starts second bloom in Sept. or Oct. and may bloom till Christmas. **HM'58**.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

FAIR ENOUGH (White '35) **E-L-38"** One of the earliest of the large-flowered Iris to bloom in the spring; continues to bloom past all believing. Then in October, or November, it starts again and blooms until December and often January, if weather permits. Almost evergreen; leaves remain fully green and erect, undaunted by moderate cold. A beautiful light blue. Lena Lothrop said that this had more flowers in a year than any other Iris. Remarkable value at this price. [Purissima X Susiana].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.05; 3 for \$3.00**

FALL FRILLS (Austin '56) **34"** A light apricot-pink, large, luscious and frilly, with prominent red-tangerine beard. Nicely ruffled and with a delightful picoté (scalloped) edge to the petals. While perhaps not equal to the very newest and most expensive of the once-flowering Flamingos, it is a great advance and most frilly of the twice-blooming Flamingos I have bloomed to date. About twice the size and ever so much finer and clearer colored than Pink Lace, which has been our most popular and reliable fall-blooming Flamingo pink. Fine low branching. An extremely heavy fall bloomer and a great increaser. Last fall we had 55 flowers on a clump grown in 2 years from one rhizome. Its seed-parent Fuchsia often blooms in the fall, and with such a famous pollen parent as Paradise Pink, Fall Frills should be highly useful to breeders of both everbloomers and red-bearded pinks. Very precocious, first flowering only ten months after sowing the seed. [Fuchsia X Paradise Pink].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$7.95**

FALL VELVET IMPROVED **ML-28"** An improvement over Fall Velvet, as this is taller, brighter and better branched. Standards blue-lilac; falls deep rosy-amethyst. Re-blooms in mid-OctoberRegularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

GLOWPORT **M-26"** An intense crimson red, almost a selfRegularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

The Best Inexpensive TWICE-BLOOMERS

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GERSDORFF-SASS HYBRID VE-28" I heartily recommend this for a **MASS fall display of beautiful, large and very novel flowers**. The most unusual of all, colored like Dresden china. A combination not duplicated even in the multitude of spring bloomers. Standards smooth parchment, flushed mulberry. Falls mulberry-pink, overlaid on a parchment ground, and with a most striking lemon-yellow haft.Regularly 85c; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

HALLOWEEN NIGHT (Weed '43) **38"** The one to get for fall festive sprays usually blooming just in time for a novel type of Halloween decorations. A bright lemon-yellow, veined in golden brown. Up to 17 flowers to a stalkRegularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

MOON GODDESS **M-36"** A large flower in strange cool grayed wistaria, novel and interesting. Has been found to be a perfect color companion for the new pinks. Has proved to be consistent twice-bloomer in originator's garden.Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

OCTOBER BLAZE **EE-34"** A blazing and dancing deep red with violet undertones and glittering gold beard.Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **40c; 3 for \$1**

ROYAL BAND (Craig '50) **M-ML-34"** Here we have the fall blooming counterpart of the famous Minnie Colquitt. The many who have raved over Minnie can now have this twice-blooming edition. Standards bright purple, flushed white. Falls pure white, with a very prominent purple edge and a purple center line. Nicely ruffled. Pollen plentiful. [Mme. L. Aureau X (Tiffany x Los Angeles)].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

WHITE ALONE **34"** A lovely twice-blooming pure white of good height.Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.30**

SCARLET TIGER (Austin '53) **E to M-25"** A heavy bloomer in late fall as well as spring. Harmonizing red bitone with falls close to scarlet, in fact, an even brighter red than the famous Technicolor. Standards light yellow, flushed red. Beard bright orange. Pollen abundant. Excellent breeder for autumns and Border Iris, and for working toward brilliant scarlet in Tall Bearded. [Tiger Tiger X self]Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

GLOWING AMBER (Craig '53) **M-36"** A real break in Iris patterns. Tom Craig seems to have a way of bringing forth the most interesting and unusual combinations of color. Here the under color is golden amber and sepia seems to be glazed on in a pleasing manner. In falls overcolor is crimson applied in a highly effective radiating pattern well shown in my new color plate. Surely unbeatable blood for those seeking rich colorings. **HM'54** [Joseph's Mantle X Rich Raiment].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

GREEN HOPE (Rees '56) **M-28"** A light chartreuse self, soft olive veining at haft. Bright yellow beard. Apparently all who saw it in originator's garden wanted it. Visitors were impressed with the extent that it is saturated with green and remarked that it is greener than Green Pastures. The originator, Geo. N. Rees, our Rainbow Gardens poet, lives in the Ozark Mts. of Missouri. He has found it fully cold-hardy. Has regularly re-bloomed for me in late fall; sometimes nearly everblooming, with summer bloom, too. Fertile both ways, so should be tops for breeding a green twice-bloomer. Fragrant. [Missouri Night X The Black Douglas] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

HARVEST BLUE (Brown '50) **VL-24"** The closed standards and styles are medium lavender blue, broad and full. The deeper blue falls flare widely. An extremely profuse fall bloomer that makes more of a mass display than any other variety I know of. Fragrant. Has good pollen.Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

HEATHERLANDS (Craig '53) **M-38"** An interesting white-ground fancy, with standards marked in purple heather and falls striated and brushed in wood-violet. A lovely flower with a white beard tipped in yellow. Buds very striking, nearly black. Said to produce horned seedlings. [Joseph's Mantle X Royal Band].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

JOSEPH'S MANTLE (Craig '49) **+ EM-36"** A delightful FREQUENT Bloomer from Tom Craig. He tells me this blooms with the early Iris, again with the late ones, still again in October or even mid-winter in mild climates. Often it blooms as heavily in October as does any Iris in spring. So colorful was named for "Joseph's coat of many colors." An immense flower in golden buff washed and striated red brown, with red brown stippling forming a margin to the falls. Tom Craig is an artist of renown. This creation of his makes one wonder if he has found a secret way of coloring his hybrids as he applies colors to his canvas. Joseph's Mantle will amaze and captivate you. [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Mitchell Seedlings]. See my color photograph page 24.Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40; 3 for \$4.00**

Hugo, Oklahoma, Dec. 10: "Today I cut a 36" stalk of Joseph's Mantle and brought in the house. The top bud opened several days ago and it now has 12 buds left. Last night it got down to 26° here. We have had several frosts before this." Mrs. T. H. Farmer.

LADY MOON (Whiting '50) **M-34"** A large, superb new white. Out-shines all other white fall bloomers so far introduced; I have no other white that compares with it for quality, size, general beauty. Comes closest I have to a fall blooming SNOW FLURRY. A true white, yet standards are distinctly a blue white, beautifully cupped, ruffled. Falls rather flaring, creamy with an ivory beard. Over 90% of rhizomes bloomed for me last fall. [(Purissima x Matula) X White Goddess].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

LOIS CRAIG (Craig '56) **EM-32"** The widely-traveled originator of this masterpiece, Tom Craig, tells me that this newest of his twice-bloomers, Lois Craig, reminds him both of the iridescent plumage of tropical birds, and of light playing thru stained glass in an old-world cathedral — more specifically, this is a vibrant deep red mingled with tones of purple and brown, and with light, cool, sky colors playing on the surface. Flowers very large; stalks tall, strong, slender, widely branched. With varieties like Mexican Magic, Savage and Molten in its parentage, it is no wonder that it has dazzling brilliance. **HM'57**

RU-JC'58 [(China Maid x Tiffany) x Mexican Magic) X (Savage x Molten)].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

MOUNT TIMP — Extra large twice-bloomer. Dark rose standards; pale yellow falls strikingly edged mulberry. A dandy!Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

RED RAY (Lapham '37) **EM-34"** A pleasing red bitone with light red standards and dark crimson falls. Useful to hybridizers as it is known to produce re-bloomers. [Red Sails X Jerry].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

Wise's INDIANA BRED Wakarusa Fall Bloomers

You may have all 4 for only \$4.50

Here are the first four of a new strain of hardy Tall Bearded autumn bloomers developed for cold climates by Charlie Wise in Indiana, as an offshoot of Greig Lapham's enterprising work in creating better reds and pinks. They have arisen strictly from Tall Bearded breeding lines and contain no Dwarfs or Intermediates in their ancestry. The flowers are large, of fine form and substance. They have heavy, low branched 34" to 38" stalks carrying 12 to 20 buds each. They bloom in the fall in Indiana for a period of six weeks, and new stalks are usually starting when freezing weather comes.

MENOMINEE (Wise '49) E-36" A ruffled and glistening pinkish buff, sparkling with gold dust in the sun. Standards golden buff, flushed pink. Falls soft rosy pink over a buff ground. Style crests buff yellow. Profuse pollen. Very fragrant. [Red Ray X Autumn Sunset].....

.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.20**
MISHAWAKA (Wise '49) M-34" A glistening yellow self with a deep orange yellow beard and deep gold veining at haft. Pleasingly fragrant. Gave us an extremely heavy, prolonged bloom last fall. [Red Ray X Autumn Sunset]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **90c**

NAPPANEE (Wise '49) +E-37" The heaviest bloomer of the group and also the tallest and brightest. In mid-September the stalks often reach a height of 40" or more. Over 90% of the rhizomes usually give fall bloom. Standards creamy pink flushed golden from the base. Falls bright crimson. A stunning flower for fall bouquets or for adding a mass of color to the fall gardens. Pollen plentiful. [Priority X Forerunner]. Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.20**

***POTAWATOMI** (Wise '49) LM-36" Standards light bronzy red becoming yellowish at base. Falls bronzy scarlet, velvety, glistening with gold crystals. Prominent yellow beard. Pollen exceedingly abundant. [Priority X (Wakarusa x Red Ray)].....

.....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**

POLAR KING (Donahue '39) E to L-32" Most dependable for northern latitudes. I have records of its blooming in Massachusetts 5 falls in succession. Bloomed in our garden Sept. to Dec. A high quality pure white Iris, ideally branched, sometimes 4 flowers out at once. Very fragrant. Sure to please. AM'32 [Moonlight X (Dominion x —)]..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

SALLY ANN (Smith '45) E to LM-34" Of all yellow fall bloomers I have tried, this has the largest flowers and the clearest color—a beautiful even yellow, satiny in texture, sparkling in the sun as if dusted with gold. Under favorable conditions, nearly every rhizome blooms. One of the few large enough and good enough to hold its own in the spring. Also, I know no other Iris that can surpass the record of Sally Ann for 4½ weeks continuous spring bloom. Flowers often measure as large as 6" x 6". In mild climates, or in mild winters in moderately severe climates, often blooms through Jan. and Feb. as well as in spring and late fall. Very fragrant. Color photo below. [Kalinga X Jelloway].....

.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**
SAVAGE (Craig '49) M-34" Like a dazzling display of fireworks is the effect created by brilliant violet blaze shooting out from beard on this lovely flower of burnished red. This amazing intense color gives a flame effect against the light. When used as an accent to other colors the effect is quite fascinating. A consistent fall bloomer. A broad flaring flower of heavy substance. Among most popular of all Iris. A "must" for YOUR garden. HM'51. See Ektachrome. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

THANKSGIVING FIRELIGHT (Austin '50) 34" A colorful Iris, the delight of all who see it. Usually blooms at Thanksgiving time. Done in festive fall colors. Standards blended reddish yellow, bronzy orange. Falls dark crimson, lighter edge. A fast increaser, a heavy bloomer in an established clump. Has pollen, sets seed. Transmits its fall blooming tendency to offspring. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

"The Thanksgiving Firelight which you enclosed as a premium has bloomed in January and again in the latter part of March and all of April. It will probably bloom all of May." James Gulick, San Rafael, California.

"I can report that your Fall Bloomers favored us with bloom and put on a display for the Fall meeting of Region 6." M. F. Dow, Central Ohio Iris Society.

SALLY ANN — Best Yellow Spring-Fall Bloomer — \$2.50



SAVAGE — A Garden Beacon Light — \$2.50

***WESTERN HILLS** (Mrs. Brown '51) M-42" Like autumn leaves in golden tan; falls flushed silvery plum and peacock-blue over rich copper. Dependable fall bloomer in Roanoke, Va., without special care. Reblooms early enough to insure fall bloom over most of U.S. Among very best of Autumn Bloomers for producing TALL heavily-branched FALL flower stalks. Delightful fragrance. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

ZULU WARRIOR (Craig '54) ML-38" Stands as a fitting climax to my offerings in Autumn bloomers. The originator states that this is his new super plicata, which, under his climatic conditions blooms all fall and winter and then again for a long period in the spring. A large ruffled yellow plicata with a dense wine-berry border, much like a twice-blooming edition of Raspberry Ribbon, but here the color is dark crimson instead of red-dish-purple. Tom Craig can well be proud of this one and you will certainly be proud if you have it in your garden. HM'54 [Joseph's Mantle X Burgundy Splash].....

.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**
WHISPERWOOD 38" Probably the most fragrant inexpensive Autumn bloomer. A real blue self with large well-formed flowers Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

For Autumn COLLECTIONS See page 24

The Much-Sought GREENISH Dwarfs and Medians

You may have the first 5 for \$2.95; first 7 for only \$4.95

***BLARNEY** (Welch '50) E-5" Standards white with faint lilac veins. Falls pale olive green, heavily washed in soft dark lavender. Beard prominent, nearly white. A "must" for all working toward green Iris. [(Fiancee x Fairy) X Cook 1546].. Reg. 60c; on \$10 order **40c; 3 for \$1.00**

DOXA VE-20" Standards pale cream veined green. Fine for arrangements. Falls silvery white, flushed greenish yellow, haft veined soft brown. Reg. 60c; on \$10 order **40c; 3 for \$1.15**

***GREEN HALO** (Greenlee '55) E-14" Interesting light olive-green, deeper green halo on flaring falls. Well shaped flowers. Fertile. [(10942 x Pumila) X (Blue Shimmer x Carpathia)].....

..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55**
***GREEN SPOT** (Cook '51) E-12" A color break for your special attention. Imagine a trim pure white with horizontal falls having a half-inch patch of almost unbelievable bright medium green at end of beard. Holds possibilities for breeders. HM'51 [Cook TB No. 10942 X Yellow Pumila]...

..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
***WHITONE** (Welch '53) E-7" A new near-white that Walter Welch says is superior to all existing whites for display and breeding. Standards white, falls with infusion of chartreuse yellow. Beard white. Pollen plentiful. [Elegance X (Fiancee x Fairy)].....

..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.65; 10 for \$5.00**

GREEN GODDESS EE-4" Creamy white with pronounced greenish cast—in fact one of the greenest dwarfs that I list. Though a real midget, only 4" high, it has flowers among largest of Dwarfs, often over 4" across. An extremely heavy, persistent bloomer, not only flowering in the spring, but often also in fall, and even in winter where climate permits.

..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

***SNOW FAIRY** (Robinson '54) VE-6" A miniature with standards icy blue-white, falls greenish white. Profuse pollen. [April Morn X Pumila].....

..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**

ALLAH (Doriot '57) EE-15" A whimsical and daring color pattern not duplicated in any other Iris. Just imagine this Ripley's Believe-it-or-not color combination: Standards light blue, ribbed in green veins; falls startling parrot-green, edged blue and with an orange-tangerine beard tipped white. No gardener who likes to be up-to-date will want to be long without this ruffled color gem. Fertile both ways, so it opens up intriguing mind's-eye vistas. HC'56, HM'57 [Snow Flurry X Welch K 505 pumila]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.75; 3 for \$10.70**

***DIRTY FACE** (Welch '55) VE-6" Dainty spinach to chartreuse green self. Well formed flowers, very appealing. [Sister to Dream Child].. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55**

Also see page 33 for additional Dwarfs and Medians



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The WINTER BLOOMERS

Bearded Iris For Mid-Winter and Spring Bloom in Mild Climates—World's Only Extensive Listing

Bloom in Spring and Again NOV. to FEB.

USES, BLOOMING SEASONS: Most useful for "Surprise Plantings" in mild climates; they burst into bloom most unexpectedly in mid-winter. Foliage is practically evergreen. In cold climates likely to bloom in early spring, with intermediates, materially lengthening your Tall Bearded blooming season. Try a few and see what you've been missing. In cold areas grow under glass for winter bloom.

CULTURE, SHIPPING AND PLANTING TIMES: Same as for Tall Bearded, page 5.

HARDINESS: Cold hardy except December Royalty needs mulching in cold regions.

- ★ **AAHME** (Craig '53) 36" A large, finely-formed clear orchid pink, like a winter-blooming Fuchsia. Beard coral-tangerine. Blooms in Dec. or Jan. and in Spring. Fertile pollen. [Hall 44-50 X (Peach Parfait sib. x Fantasy)]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**
- ALTA ROSA** EE-48" Under favorable conditions will bloom for 4 months, Nov. to Feb. Rich rosy-lavender blended bronze, large. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c; 3, \$1.85**
- ★ **ARCADIA BUTTERCUP** (Milliken '47) E-30" See in color. Exquisite deep golden yellow self, with exceptional life and sparkle. In mild climates will shower you with beautiful golden blossoms from midwinter on through regular Iris season. Try it for a profusion of winter bloom. HM'48..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**
- BEL-AIR** 30" Outstanding large ruffled clear violet blue on tall well-branched stems. The ruffling gives fascinating charm..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c; 3 for \$1.70**
- BLUE FLURRY** (Brown '55) EM-40" Flowers in Nov. or Dec. and again in Spring. A lovely light wistaria-blue with all the grace and charm of its illustrious seed-parent, Snow Flurry. A large ruffled broad-petaled Iris with white beard and throat. Tall, heavy, nicely branched stalks. Fragrant. Produces plenty of pollen, something unusual for a descendant of Snow Flurry. Should be useful in breeding Winter Bloomers in white or pink, as well as blue. [Snow Flurry X Hall pink sdlg.]... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**
- ★ **BLUE RIVER** VE-36" Fragrant bright blue, blue beard..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- CALIFORNIA PINK** (Heller '48) E-45" Where climate is mild enough, as in southern California, will bloom 6 months out of every year. Long spring blooming period with additional later blooming to December, even January. A tall gorgeous light bright orchid pink, novel lilac-white beard..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.05; 3 for \$3.00**
- COLOR RIOT** (Austin '56) EM-38" Indeed, a riot of contrasting colors, that catch everyone's attention in the spring, and again in November. Standards bright lilac rose. Falls deep purplish crimson, with a long and prominent orange-red beard. [Buffawn X Flora Zenor]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70**
- DECEMBER ROYALTY** (Austin '51) E-34" See in color. Starts its second bloom about Nov. 25 and often keeps blooming till Christmas, so you can have a huge Iris bouquet beside the Christmas tree. A large bold flower in brilliant royal purple, darkening to intense wine-black. Noteworthy for its poise, substance, finish and for its smooth satiny hafts unmarred by veinings. Sometimes 15 to 20 flowers; hence, ideally constituted to cut in bud stage before frosts get too severe, for almost unbelievable winter bouquets. Unexcelled as a parent, transmitting its admirable traits to its offspring. In cold regions needs protection, such as afforded by cold frames, to secure December blooms..... Regularly \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.75; 3 for \$5.00**
- ★ **RUSSIAN BRONZE** (Milliken '46) VE-30" See in color. Dependable long-season winter bloomer. Where climate permits, blooms every week, late fall till spring. Golden tawny and deep maroon..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

WOULDN'T YOU LIKE SOME STOCK LIKE THIS? "The Winter Blooming varieties I ordered have been magnificent—really unbelievable. They have bloomed constantly for weeks—I find your Iris do better in this climate than any other. This has been the severest winter here in thirty years, yet I have not lost a single Rainbow Iris." Mrs. Thorne Strayer, Burton, Texas.

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CUSTOMER'S 1958 REPORT ON BLOOMING OF TWO OF MY INTRODUCTIONS IN WINTER BLOOMERS: "Winter Flame bloomed for me from November to April. Your December Royalty bloomed in December and January and most of the rhizomes again this spring."—Mrs. Hattie Wildor.

MY FAVORITE WINTERS — SPECIAL NO. 45—Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the 2-Season WINTER Bloomers for **\$5, \$10 or \$25**, as you prefer.

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NOEL (White '40) VE-38" Apparently named to indicate bloom at Christmas-time. A splendid pure satiny white like a Magnolia petal. Beard yellow. Firm substance withstands winter storms. Well-branched stems, luxuriant foliage. In mild climates will bloom from Oct. 15 right on thru the winter and spring to end of June. Fertile both ways. [Sweet Alibi X Lady Paramount]..... Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

ORCHID AND FLAME (Craig '54) VE-45" Was reported to bloom almost all year in the mild climate of Berkeley, Calif. A pinkish-orchid with flame beard; stunning for winter bouquets to attract attention. Gets its great height from the towering Mt. Washington. Pollen plentiful..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

★ **PINK PINAFORE** (Austin '52) EM-34" See in color. A charming pink plicata. Has delighted us by blooming in spring and again between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Standards light yellow, so completely flushed as to appear orchid-pink. Falls wavy, heavily stippled and lined orchid-pink, edged gold. Simply superb branching starting about 10". Probably the only Winter-blooming pink plicata..... Regularly \$2.25 on \$10 order **\$1.75; 3 for \$5.00**

★ **SAN PASQUAL** VE-36" Large, like famous Ranger. Bright yellow beard. Standards light carmine; falls rich, dark velvety carmine. Fragrant..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

SPRINGTIME MADONNA (Milliken '49) VE-34" Symphony in cream & gold; loveliest of Winter Bloomers. Where winters are mild, likely to bloom in Dec., Jan. or Feb. A creamy-yellow; bright gold edge. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

SUMMER SUN (Craig '51) M-38" Very full, flaring, deep yellow with small white signal that comes from a whole line of famous parents. Leathery substance, unusually smooth finish. Usually starts re-blooming in late Nov. Superb blood for blends, yellows, browns, reds and coppers, either in Tall Bearded or re-bloomers. [(Berkeley Gold x Tobacco Road) X (Ola Kala x Cascade Splendor)]... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

SUNSET PINK (Murray '55) M-44" Has the delightful habit, wherever winters permit, of starting its bloom in February and continuing thru March and all of April. Thus it is almost unbeatable for length of blooming season. A very pleasing clean rosy pink. Tall, nicely branched stalks with 15 or more buds. [(Spindrift x Inspiration) X Twilight Sky]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

TECHNICOLOR (Whiting '50) M-34" Nearest approach to spectrum red yet achieved. Glowing ruby-mahogany. Hardy. Free flowering in spring. About Nov. 15 nearly every rhizome shoots up for 2nd bloom. Pollen. HM'50; RU AM'53 [Garden Glory X Rocket]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

TOURNAMENT QUEEN VE-36" Has color, size & form. Luscious bright fuchsia-toned. Stiff flaring falls spread 7". Fragrant..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

FEATURE OFFERING in Winter-Blooming Bearded Iris

WINTER FLAME (Austin '53) E-32" Largest, finest red Winter bloomer available today. Persists in blooming each winter, often starting heavy bloom in early November, about 2 weeks ahead of Technicolor, and continuing until January. Then blooms again in the spring. Standards smooth light wine red; falls velvety crimson. Novel light buff edging. Heavily branched, with up to 20 buds and 5 flowers out at once on each stalk. Heavy seed-setter. [December Royalty X Self]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

"I had Winter Flame in bloom on Xmas." Mrs. J. A. Attaway, Empire, Alabama

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The Appeal of the ONCO in Hybrids Grown As Easily As Bearded Iris

LARGEST COLLECTION IN EXISTENCE

For **APRIL-MAY-JUNE** Bloom

ORIGIN and NOMENCLATURE: Diverse names have been used for this class of wonderful hybrids of **Oncos** with Bearded Iris, but Clarence White's apt term "Oncobreds" is simplest and best. They have been called Pogocyclis, Eupogocyclis and Oncopogans. Included here also are a few other **ARILBREDS**, namely **REGELIABREDS** (Regelias X Bearded), and **ONCOGELIABREDS** (Oncogelias X Bearded).

MOHRS: All of the large ever-increasing family of Mohrs belong in this category, as they all contain both Onco and Bearded blood, and are descendants of the original "William Mohr."

CHARACTERISTICS and USES: As compared with Tall Bearded Iris, these Oncobreds stand out as being highly distinctive and different. They have an amazing array of novel color patterns, some of which are just out of this world. Due to their Onco ancestry, many have broad rounded form surpassing even the newest and finest in Tall Bearded Iris. I have for years been predicting a **RAINBOW OF ONCOBREDS**. Now this is being unveiled before your eyes. Below are world's most complete offerings in this line—not just original purples and lavenders from a few breeders,

but varieties from 32 hybridizers, covering 30 **DISTINCT COLOR AND PATTERN CLASSES**, as listed on page 3. You should have at least one or two in each class to really understand what the new Oncobreds can do for your garden.

EXPRESSION OF ONCO CHARACTERS: Oncobreds vary greatly in the degree to which they exhibit externally the Onco that is in their genetic makeup. Some resemble true Oncos fairly closely, while in others there is no visible evidence of Onco characteristics. Yet the presence of an Onco in the genealogy should make them easier to cross with Arils, and with Oncobreds. The newer and finer Oncobreds are getting closer and closer to the alluring fascination of true Oncos, and are easier than Oncos to grow.

CULTURE and HARDINESS: The great majority of these have inherited the sturdiness of the Bearded Iris and can easily be grown as explained for Tall Bearded on page 5. A few are strongly Onco-like and are better handled a little more like Arils (page 34). Be extra careful to provide good drainage.

SHIPPING and PLANTING TIMES: Summer and fall, like Bearded Iris.

MY '59 ONCOBRED INTRODUCTION

In My Milestone Series, Explained on Page 25

RED JOPPA (Austin '59) EM-38" A striking new Oncobred done in tones of red, a color seldom seen in Oncobreds. Standards light crimson, veined deeper. Light crimson of the falls merges to a flush of deep red in center, just below **black beauty spot** and heavy gold beard. Stalks well-branched, quite tall for an Oncobred. A descendant of the famed **Joppa Parrot**. [Maytime X Joppa Parrot]. Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$6; 3 for \$17.10**

ALTAMOHR L-36" One of the tallest, best branched of the Mohrs. Flaring orchid-violet of large size. Heavily veined maroon. Fertile. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

BLUE ABALONE (Austin '55) EM to M-32" The wondrous varying colorings of an abalone shell in tones of blue. Standards pale lilac blue. Falls deep lilac blue, paler at edge, striking brown veins at haft beside the unusual heavy **bright tangerine beard**. [Elmohr X Abalone Shell]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70**

BLUMOHR (Marx '49) L-36" A big blue from a different breeding line. From Wm. Mohr X Orloff in unveined **Plumbago blue**. From Tennessee comes report: "It is a perfect thing, in my way of thinking—the color of the **Cattleya orchid**." Blooms at midseason or later. Pollen abundant. **HM'49; AM'52**. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

BUTTERFLY WINGS (White '46) M-36" As captivating as wings of a tropical butterfly, veining from grandparent, Susiana. I picture a whole cluster, like a swarm of butterflies. Above, **translucent lilac blue**—below, **rich parchment veined in mulberry, crimson and russet**. Exotic charm of Oncos, on yard-high, well branched stalks. May well be best seed-setter of Oncobreds. I have a wide array of seedlings including **OLIVE ORCHID** from Butterfly Wings X Chivalry. Jack Linse's **RED BUTTERFLY** is Butterfly Wings X Spellbound. Now you try it. Out-sold all other Oncobreds in its price class. Order NOW. Later will be just too late. **HM'47** [(Pink Jadu x Susiana) X (Theme x Sacramento)] See **Ektachrome**. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **95c**

Two Best Inexpensive Pollen Parents

CAPITOLA (Reinelt '40) VE-28" Most potent, useful Oncobred pollen parent known today. Among its many descendants: **LADY MOHR**, **REAL GOLD**, **MOHRNING DOVE**, **ORIENTAL MAGIC**, **WITCH DOCTOR**, **OZIE WATERS**, **MARY VALENTINE**. Also valuable as a garden subject. **Colossal blooms of superb form in brilliant red-violet**. Does not set seed; when it has pollen it is highly potent; should be tried on all the finer, newer Tall Bearded Iris. Better start NOW! At my new low price **CAPITOLA** is the one best buy for hybridizers in my entire catalog. Better get plenty. You'll want lots of pollen. **HM'47; AM'50** [William Mohr X Ib Mac]. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

IB MAC, TRUE (Van Tubergen) EE-13" Two wholly different plants are sold as Ib-Mac. True form is a **big globular flower**, deep rosy violet, **greatly resembling its offspring Capitola**, but more striking. Has an **intensely black signal patch** and other Onco attributes. One of most potent Oncobred pollen parents. Beard, wide, Oncolike diffuse, brown. Leaves white-based, strongly sickle-shaped, in Onco fashion. Pollen abundant, highly fertile. Rhizomes small. [Iberica X Macrantha]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

CASINO (Plough '55) E to L-40" A huge rosy mulberry self with Mohr veining in an intricate pattern. Falls semi-flaring, firmly substantiated, large and well rounded. Beard brownish yellow. Attracts much attention. **HM'56** [Wm Mohr X Firecracker]. Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.70**

CONQUEST (Marx '52) E-30" Hailed as "**blue Lady Mohr**." Sought by all making collections of Mohrs. A giant Oncobred, wistaria blue standards, buff cream falls with dark bronze beard, soft lavender signal. Somewhat reminiscent of Onco Gatesii, in its ancestry. Early, vigorous, free blooming. Pollen available. [Snoqualmie X Capitola]. Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.55; 3 for \$7.25**

EASTERMOHR (Weidner '53) EM-40" This is the widely heralded new blue Oncobred from Mr. Weidner and was obtained directly from Wm. Mohr. Believed to be the bluest Oncobred to date, certainly it is one of the tallest and best branched. It is, indeed, remarkable what a **great improvement in height and branching** can be secured in a first generation cross with Wm. Mohr, when one is fortunate enough to get the seed to set. Flowers very large, ruffled, medium blue, with firmly domed standards and full semi-flaring falls. Fully hardy in the East. [Wm. Mohr X Easter Morn]. Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

EASTMONT (Plough '56) EML-40" A very new Oncobred that is **big, bold and ruffy**—very showy. It is an intense red-violet with brilliant coloring. Stalks tall, well branched. Very tall sword-like foliage which is quite an ornamental feature in any garden. [Snow Flurry X Capitola]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

ENGRAVED (Craig '52) EM-38" A new type of Onco-plicata that is surprisingly effective. White ground with an **over-all network of crisp steel engraving** in pearly violet. A two year plant often makes a clump with as many as 14 tall bloomstalks. Greatly admired at the '54 A.I.S. convention in Salt Lake City and at the '56 convention in Southern California. Ought to be everywhere. Will be a feature in any garden. **HM'53** [Mariposa Mia X Capitola]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

ELMOHR (Loomis '42) ML-35" Imagine a Dykes winner, most popular of the Mohrs, for only a dollar. If you don't have Elmohr you've been missing an annual thrill. An enormous Iris of perfect form, draped in Bishop's purple robes of regal splendor. **Dykes Medal '45** [William Mohr X R Sdlg.]. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

ETCHING (Craig '52) ML-30" Delicate, angel-like is this evident Oncobred with "**Onco**" veining. Standards pale lilac, washed white; falls cream, washed lavender, light amethyst signal at end of yellow beard. Fine maroon veins extend down onto falls. **Fertile both ways**. [Mariposa Mia X Capitola]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.25**

FANCY RHYTHM (Wells '55) E-M-36" A beautiful, smooth shimmering violet, from two famous parents. Large Mohr-type flowers, with ruffling, a **white signal patch**, and a **white beard**. Three classically formed flowers usually open at once. What more could you ask? [Snow Flurry X Grace Mohr]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

FANCYWORK (Craig '51) VE-40" Truly a novel flower, the new fancy plicata pattern combined with Mohr-type veining. In effect a burgundy self but intricately and delicately patterned with varying deeper tones of this color on the lighter ground. Typical Oncobred flower form combined with tall, vigorous stem characteristics of bearded Iris. **Flaming mulberry leaf-bases** add to the brilliant effect. [(Tiffany x Los Angeles) x Sib) X Capitola]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

FLAMBOYANCE M-36" A truly gigantic Iris in glowing rosy lilac. Petals broad with a delicate ruffling. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

FOR SURE (Linse '53) EM-37" A descendant of the famous Lady Mohr. Beautifully done with standards of cream to creamy tan with a bright margin of ecru. Falls similar but washed with violet about the beard. Stems tall with 3 widely spaced branches. [Lady Mohr X Painted Desert]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

FRANCES CRAIG (Craig '52) VE-38" There have been many additions to the lovely blue Oncobreds in recent years, but **here's one that tops them all for size, color and form**. Tom Craig considers it the best, **most beautiful Iris he has ever created**. A huge flower in pearly lilac blue with immense round falls flaring out beautifully. Next to the top in the '55 Awards of Merit. [Snow Flurry X Capitola]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

HEATHER ANGEL (Linse '56) EM-36" An Oncobred of tremendous size. Imagine fully rounded flowers **eight inches across**. It is perfection in Onco form. A smooth **heather-purple self**, beard tips blue. Standards broad and fully domed, falls semi-flaring, 3½" across. Extra heavy substance. [New Snow X Capitola]. Reg. \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

LEMON SILK (Austin '54) EM-30" A lovely combination of **clear lemon-yellow standards**, with **creamy white falls**. Same silky finish as Hoogiana, flower 50% larger. Nicely branched, 7 or 8 flowers per stalk. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70**

MADAM MOHR (Betcherer '51) M-40" Finest of ultra smooth lilac blue selfs. Mammoth broad-petaled flowers in beautiful Onco form. A real crowd-stopper. Stalks tall, branched. Easy to grow. [Morera X (Dauntless x Tropic Seas)]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

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My low discounted prices now make it possible to frequently order 3 of a kind for better garden effect.

***** 15 of Clarence WHITE'S Newest FERTILE Oncobreds *****

The great majority of the lovable and widely-grown little Oncobreds that the late Clarence White produced all thru the 1930's and '40's were completely sterile and hence could yield no descendants. But these later creations of Mr. White are nearly all FERTILE, some remarkably so. What is more, they are masterpieces in exotic color patterns clearly showing the Onco that is in their ancestry. They range in size from large to huge. If you have not tried some of these NEW ones you are missing the thrill of a lifetime — and for hybridizing, nothing surpasses them! Better to get a few of these new wonders than a host of old varieties that will transmit inferior qualities to your treasured seedlings. The order blank is on page 17. Need I say more? Only that the world-wide stocks of these coveted Oncobreds are very low, and no such assemblage as this has ever been offered before. Most varieties may be sold out by fall, and perhaps not available again for years. Better grasp the opportunity while you may! And when you begin to get your results, remember that I need further reports on the pollen production and seed setting of all new Oncobreds.

BALI AGHA (White '52) ■ E-L-33" A bicolor with a strong Onco look. Standards lilac, veined purple; falls buff, veined russet, splashed red. Pollen fertile. Wiloh Wilkes reports 27 seeds from one pod, Imam Ahmid X Bali Agha; 130 seeds from 3 pods, Kalifa Gulnare X Bali Agha. So these new Oncobreds are inter-fertile.....

.....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**
BEISAN AGA (White '54) ■ M-28" One of the very finest existing approaches to black from the Oncobred side. A huge blend in dark grayish violet, heavily washed and streaked with black, with a black signal and brown beard. Style crests light maroon. Altogether a highly novel color combination and one that the visitors to Mr. White's garden fell in love with when it first flowered. It has been found to do well even in the damp climate of Seattle. Excellent form, greatly resembling a true Onco. Appears to have pollen as potent as the old standbys, Capitola, Ib-Mac, True, and Joppa Parrot.....

.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$17.95**
BLACK JOPPA (White '54) M-32" A blackish version of Joppa Parrot. Blackish slate and orchid gray, veined and stippled rosy browns. Of even broader form than Joppa Parrot, more vigorous growing. Sets seed more easily than Joppa Parrot; has fertile pollen.....

.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.95**
CHENIK AGA (White '54) 26" It is doubtful if any Iris ever created by Clarence White has been more coveted by those who have seen it than Chenik Aga. A giant flower with plenty of Onco characteristics, somewhat resembling Joppa Parrot, but wildly brilliant. This fabulous Iris is world renowned. Done in cream-buff and golden-orange. The standards very heavily splashed with purplish-red and falls heavily splashed with blackish maroon, stiff and flaring, wide, broad at haft. Beard deep bronze, wide. Pollen very fertile and gave me several good sets.....

.....Regularly \$25.00; on \$30 order **\$16.65**
IMAM AHMID (White '56) M-35" A very beautiful, strongly fertile recent introduction. Standards lilac, deeper veined; falls old gold dusted with golden sparkles. A large flower, clearly shows Onco ancestry. A strong tall grower. Known to pass its vigor to its seedlings. Pollen abundant, fertile; splendid seed-setter when pollinated with Oncobreds in this box.....

.....Regularly \$20.00; on \$25 order **\$19.50**
IMAM JABAN (White '56) M-30" A novel bitone of large size. Standards oyster-shell white, cream lined; falls primuline yellow, edged lighter; beard straw-yellow. Pollen fertile; sets seed with C. White things.....

.....Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

IMAM SALAH (White '56) E-28" A large flower with a bold but soft, pleasing coloring in sulphur yellow, with amber yellow overtones on falls; whole flower accented by a dusky purple signal. A heavy bloomer; 15 flower stalks on a 2-year clump. Pollen fertile; sets seed well with pollen from new White Oncobreds; also Wiloh Wilkes reports 26 seeds from Real Gold X Imam Salah.....

.....Regularly \$25.00; on \$30 order **\$16.65**
JABAL KERAK (White '55) E-30" A bicolor with greenish-white standards, pale lemon yellow falls, a primuline yellow beard. A dramatic signal patch in dahlia purple completes unique color pattern. Good breeder.....

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JALLA EFFENDI (White '52) ● E-30" Standards buff yellow with delicate mahogany veins and sometimes a chartreuse tinge. Falls cinnamon yellow, flushed red, peppered in purple. Very wide heavy orange beard. An impressive Oncobred that is hardy and increases well. Pollen highly fertile, giving fat pods with many seeds on most new Oncobreds tried; also sets seeds as well as any Oncobred. So here's your chance for a dandy breeder at low cost.....

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KALIFA KABUL (White '56) E-30" A curious olive green Oncobred; has abundant pollen, will seed; useful to breeders of Oncobreds and greens, and for arrangement enthusiasts who want something strange and different. Standards chartreuse shading to Indian buff, falls absinthe yellow, marked with olive sheen and Indian buff, splashed brown. Vigorous.....

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LABAN EFFENDI (White '54) ● M-32" Destined for great popularity with gardeners and flower arrangers. Standards softly colored like a Foxglove; falls Catawba, blended and veined on lighter ground, intense black signal, like an Onco. Judges loved it and called it "Sugar Plum" but name not available. Vigorous grower, prolific increaser. Fertility not yet reported. Try it and let me know. Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

TATAI PASHA (White '55) M-30" No fertility reports yet, but included here as it is so stunning. Most vivid and nearest to orange of any of the White hybrids. A big, vigorous orange-yellow. Falls penciled red-russet. Fetching brown signal. You'll love it.....

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GIANT MOHR (Austin '58) M-44" See Ektachrome. At last an improved version of the renowned WILLIAM MOHR, that is much larger and grows on stalks twice as tall. And best of all for the hybridizer, this has abundant pollen. The picture shows that its form and veining are much like those of WILLIAM MOHR and the color is similar, too, being a deep manganese violet. Probably the largest and one of the tallest of the Mohr hybrids in existence today. The gigantic flowers are usually a full 8 inches high and the stalks regularly reach a height of 44", which is remarkable for any Oncobred. Imagine how a flower like this can help out in your breeding work with ordinary Oncobreds. A fast increaser and a very heavy bloomer.....

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MAGIC LIGHT (Austin '55) EM-30" A highly interesting new Oncogeliabred resulting from crossing the Oncogelia Theseus with pollen of the Tall Bearded Iris Pink Formal. Standards bewitching silvery-pink, veined dark crimson. Falls silvery rose, becoming misty crimson in the center, and darkening to a blackish maroon signal at end of the bronze beard. The dark crimson veining gives us the charm of Theseus in a hybrid readily grown right along with Bearded Iris.....

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MAJNUN E-ML-36" Large chrome-yellow self with orange beard. Lortetii is recorded as pollen parent, but no indication of Onco characters. Highly interesting, however, to try crossing this with various Oncobreds and with Lortetii itself. Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.30**

MARY VALENTINE (Craig '52) EM-40" A giant pale Mohr hybrid characterized by Fisher Harris in Salt Lake City in these words "The most beautiful light blue Iris I've ever seen, surpassing all others in clarity of color, size, form, color fastness, continuity of bloom." Extra tall, well branched. HM'53 [Purissima X Capitola]...Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**



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★ **MASTER NEIL** (Jensen '52) E-M-36" Perhaps the first William Mohr seedling to show a definite plicata pattern. Cream ground color beautifully marked in pink and cinnamon brown. Has more Tall

Bearded characteristics than any other direct descendant of William Mohr with which I am familiar. Will set some seeds, and with pollen from things like Capitola, Chenik Aga, Beisan Aga, Phoebus Apollo & Kalifa Fatima, may well prove a superb parent and yield distinctive, worthwhile offspring. Strong reblooming tendency. [William Mohr X Stained Glass].....

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MOAB VE-30" Strange brown bitone....Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30**

MOHR AFFAIR EM-33" A direct descendant of William Mohr, in rich wine color. A darker, richer Elmohr with same perfectly formed flowers. Stalks erect, well branched. Hardy in the East. HM'53 Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

★ **MOHR BEAUTY** (Milliken '49) LM-36" First yellow Oncobred with Onco form. A glistening, ruffled pale yellow with white signal. Foliage like Tall Bearded. Easy to grow. HM'53 [Elmohr X Y Sdlg.]..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.30**

MOHR COURAGEOUS (Naylor '54) EM-40" A hardy Utah origination somewhat resembling the famous Elmohr. Violet falls with an infusion of brown, exceedingly flaring, almost horizontal, nicely waved. Grows shoulder high and has its tremendous flowers well spaced along the stalks. [Wm Mohr X (Snow Flurry x Winter Carnival)].....

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MOHR GLORIOUS (Muhlestein '53) ML-32" A magnificent glorified version of the world-renowned Elmohr, but with even larger flowers and the heaviest substance imaginable. A very rich mulberry-red, with extremely broad petals. Note double "dose" of Mohr blood in its parentage. Sdlg. Cup Utah I. S. Show '51, HM'54, JC'55 [Elmohr X (The Red Douglas x Joycette) x (Wm. Mohr x Mussolini)]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$7.50; 3 for \$21.40**

MOHRLOFF M From the Oncobred ORMOHR X the plicata ORLOFF has come MOHRLOFF, effectively combining both names and flowers. Lavender sprinkled over a white ground. Sets seed easily and has abundant pollen.... Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **40c; 3 for \$1.15**

MOHR VELVET (Muhlestein '52) ML-38" Mohr Velvet is fertile both ways: Its pollen is the most potent of any on Mohrs and other Oncobreds. A large, well-tailored medium yellow, very velvety falls, a deep orange-yellow beard. A complete self without veins. Has wonderful blood for pinks and yellows. Remarkable plush-like appearance. Better get started using this pollen! [(Elmohr x Hall Flaming Pink) X 45-41 D].....

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MOONCHILD (Craig '55) M-24" Novelty and charm mark this delightful amethyst-grey Border Iris. Has exceptional garden value, as it is vigorous, floriferous and prolific of increase. From its Onco blood comes its full form, delicate pastel greys and blended mulberry signal, which, combined with a wiry stem, makes it tops for arrangements. [Moongoddess X lb Mac]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.15**

★ **MORNING BLUE** VE-42" A lovely blue self with that Onco look—a flower of superb form, gigantic size, borne on tall stems. Height of Tall Bearded, Onco flower form. Falls broad, semi-flaring. Has Pollen, sets seed....Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.35**

★ **NEW LOOK** (Johnson '52) M-ML-34" One of the finest red Oncobreds. Standards heavily subenced, deep wine-red, strangely upright. Yellow style arms, nearly twice as large as in ordinary bearded iris. From Onco ancestry comes wonderfully exquisite tracery of veins and dots. Falls quite flaring, heavily subenced, very velvety, crimson-red, veined in dark red. Beard broad, golden brown. [William Mohr X probably Bruno].....

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NIGHT MOTH (Craig '50) E-38" Flowers strongly marked in characteristic Onco fashion, produced on tall stalks from vigorous plants of easy culture. Pale wistaria, heavily veined and stippled at haft; small deep violet signal accent at tip of beard. Sets seed. [Advance Guard x Mitchell 2021] X Jumna].....

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NOMOHR (Gibson '55) EML-38" A rich bamboo-cream that is close to the top of all Oncobreds in size, ruffling and color appeal. Undoubtedly the heaviest ruffled of all Oncobreds, and with a very heavy substance that definitely holds the ruffling in place. Falls strongly flaring, spreading out to 7". Prominent white blaze at end of yellow beard. Certainly among the finest of all Oncobreds, and one that you cannot afford to be without. Note the awards and you will see that the judges have found and recognized this beauty. Fertile both ways. HM'56; JC'57 [Snow Flurry X Elmohr] See Ektachrome page 32.....

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ORIENTAL MAGIC (Wells '55) M-38" A pleasing fancy plicata with a unique lineage derived from three plicatas, a light yellow and Capitola. Large, full-flaring flowers in soft wistaria striated orchid-violet; beautiful white beard and white signal patch. Tall and well branched. [((Ruth Pollock x Welcome) x (Tiffany x Los Angeles)) X Capitola].....

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★ **PARACHUTE #2** M-35" Heavy subenced, with distinctly Mohr form. At first, pale lavender, marbled deeper lavender, gradually lightens to almost pure white. Ruffled, crumpled in attractive manner.....

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PEACH SHERBET (Craig '55) ML-30" A remarkable tangerine-bearded iris from Oncobred breeding. Standards light apricot pink; falls pale apricot, of heavy substance, flaring with bright tangerine beard and striking yellow hafts. [Blue Ox X (Mt. Wash. x Flora Zenor) x (Lady Mohr x pink sdlg.)]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.70**

PERSIAN MOHR (Austin '53) EM-33" From Golden Majesty X Capitola, clearly showing Onco ancestry. Standards silvery violet. Falls, dark mulberry with intricate brown markings..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

PINK MOHR (Austin '56) M to L-24" See in full color on front cover. The pinkest Oncobred to date with real Mohr form and definite Onco characteristics. Imagine a large flower, much like Elmohr, but bright orchid-pink instead of purple. Even "mohr" Onco-like than Elmohr, as it has ½-inch soft rosy mulberry signal at end of beard. Resembles Present, but is very much pinker, brighter. Stiff, nearly horizontal falls sometimes spreading out as much as 7". Beard bronzy-yellow. If this were tall, well branched, it would be well worth a high price, but as it is about 2 ft. high I am making it available at a very modest price for such a beauty. [Cherie X Capitola]..Reg. \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

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PRESENT (White '41) VE-32" Like a triumphant queen, tall, breathtaking, retaining the exotic Onco charm. Alluring amethyst-pink, embroidered like handiwork of the East with fine tracery of deep pink veins, set off by a blackish rose beauty spot. AM'49 [Onco X Bearded]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

★**PURISSAMOHHR** (Weidner '52) ML-40" Acclaimed as sensational. Pure white of faultless classic form. Large, very heavy substandard with closed domed standards, very broad, flaring falls. Delightfully ruffled. Stalks with three branches and terminal, 8 to 10 flowers. **Superb blood for breeding.** Sets seed. Pollen abundant. Hardy. Sweet fragrance. HM'52 [William Mohr X Purissima x Easter Morn].....

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REAL GOLD (Austin '51) M-28" See page 16 for Ektachrome and description. This is my Featured **EXTRA Premium**, free on all orders of \$12.50 or more for 1959 only. Standards glistening gold buff. Falls deep gold buff, enhanced by harmonizing gold-brown veins and a golden bronze beard. Admired by all visitors. Falls broad, quite flaring, up to 8" spread. A terrific increaser; you'll have a big clump with lots of bloom in a hurry. Yields good pollen; sets seed with various pollens, including White's new Jallah Effendi and Krim Aga. 47 chromosomes. [Golden Majesty X Capitola].....

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ROSEMOHR (Lewis '49) M-40" One of the largest and tallest of Mohrs in pink tones. Huge rosy pink flowers, flaring ruffled falls, typical Mohr veining. John Ohl, Kansas Oncobred enthusiast, reports this appears very good. [Ormohr X Red Valor].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

★**SAFFRON CHARM** (Benbow '54) E-28" Even a novice can tell this is out of the ordinary. Stoloni-fera X yellow Tall Bearded. Standards ruffled, shimmering with bright saffron-yellow stitching, blending to blue. Falls lilac-blue blended with paler yellow. Beard grey. Stem carries up to 7 flowers. Leaves remain green, unlike Stoloni-fera. Sets seed. Pollen fertile on most of new White Oncobreds. Imagine what these crosses may yield! Try some. HM'58.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

SIKHHMOHR (Weidner '53) M-36" The finest red Oncobred to be introduced since New Look. A stunning bright showy rosy-red Mohr of exceptionally heavy substance with a wonderful depth of color. Strangely, the foliage and rhizomes resemble William Mohr, yet stalks are sturdy, yard high and 3-way branched, which is remarkable for a direct William Mohr descendant. Don't pass up this one if you want one of the latest and most beautiful members of the far flung Mohr family. Will be sought by every hybridizer. [Wm. Mohr X Dauntless X Sikh].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.50**

WILLIAM MOHR, GIANT (Mohr-Mitchell) EM-27" William Mohr is the famous original from which all other Mohrs have descended. This strain is more vigorous than that commonly grown. Flowers larger, 5½" x 6", on stalks 26" tall, much above common form. So our visitors insist on this special strain. Occasionally produces fertile pollen; thus preferred by hybridizers. Fine direct descendants include Altamohr, Blumohr, Capitola, Easternmohr, Elmohr, Green Mohr, Laurel Hill, Mohr Majesty, New Look, Parachute No. 2 and Purissamohr. Demand greatly exceeds limited supply of this special strain, so order early. [Parisiana X Gatesii]. See in full color.....Regularly \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

CUSTOMER'S REACTION: "WM. MOHR, GIANT has brought many Oh's and Ah's from our neighbors." L. Hoffman, Davis, Calif.

WITCH DOCTOR (Plough '55) E to L-28" A new giant that will be an eye-stopper in any garden for it is like an improved Conquest. Standards blue-lavender with buffy-tan midrib. Falls from center down are grayed-blue-lavender with buffy-tan haft and heart. Beard yellow, blue at tip. Starts early and blooms for a long season. HM'56; JC'57 [W-1 Cream Sdlg. X Capitola].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

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BONITA BLUE (Crosby) 30" A lovely thing done in a new tint of greenish-blue with darker Onco veinings. Its fine globular form clearly shows its Onco parentage. [Purissima X Capitola].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

★**CORONATION TAPESTRY** (Craig '53) EM-38" A descendant of Joppa Parrot. As might be expected, it is strangely blended and veined. A bicolor involving lilac, brown, gold, coronation purple, rose maroon, hudson seal and even palmleaf green. Of special interest to lovers of the exotic in Iris and to breeders of Oncobreds and greens. HM'55. [Gay Senorita X Joppa Parrot]...Reg. \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

GREEN MOHR (Muhlestein '51) ML-40" A most surprising and appealing color. A silvery grey flushed with greenish yellow. Lavender flush in center of falls. An extra large flower of full Mohr form and with very definite Onco characteristics. Buds strongly olive green indicating large amount of green in make-up. Should be crossed with Lady Mohr and the best of the greenish Tall Bearded. Will set seed, has plentiful pollen. HC'50; HM'52 [William Mohr X Chosen]. See life-like photograph.....Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

★**GREEN PHEASANT** (Murray) VE-35" Here is a real novelty for the many who are now breeding for "greens." A stunning tan-brown with a heavy infusion of green. Standards closed, falls nicely flaring. A heavy increaser. Parentage not available, but Mr. Murray tells me that it is half Onco. Brilliant crimson leaf bases add materially to the color effect.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.45**

JABAL KERAK, KALIFA BALTIS & KALIFA KABUL — See box on page 30.
LADY MOHR (Salbach '44) VE-36" Unsurpassed value, for Lady Mohr has been close to top of Irisdom. Standards oystershell white infused lavender. Falls bewitching seafoam or chartreuse yellow. A tall giant; 6 buds to a stem. Abundantly fertile. HM'44; AM'46 [Alta California X King Midas X Capitola].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **90c**

★**MARGARET CRUISE** (White '54) EM-33" A descendant of Gay Senorita that might well be termed the Oncobred version of this variety. Standards yellow. Falls yellow, finely lined in red-brown, shading to green-brown at edges. Something quite different! [Gay Senorita and Onco blood].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.70**

See also groups of fascinating greenish Iris on pages 9 and 27

MOHR MAJESTY (Walker '52) M-36" One of the largest of all Oncobreds, done in lovely chartreuse-buff with typical Onco veining in wine red. Petals extremely broad with standards magnificently domed in typical Onco fashion. A sensational flower and a great accomplishment for Mr. Walker, particularly since it comes from that great but difficult seed parent, William Mohr. HM'52 [Wm. Mohr X Golden Majesty].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

★**MOHRNING DOVE** (Craig '53) E-32" One of my favorites from Tom Craig. A truly immense flower, curiously and interestingly patterned. Standards soft dove-grey; falls in yellow-green tones (Eucalyptus to Old Ivory), stippled and veined sandalwood. A beauty! [Mariposa Mia X Capitola].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85; 10 for \$10.00**

OLIVE ORCHID (Austin '56) L-40" Most "unusual" Oncobred I ever bloomed! First, coloring is unusual. Has an almost believe-it-or-not combination of hafts prominently marked with broad olive veins on petals of pale lilac-blue. Resembles Blue Parakeet, but the olive is more pronounced. Second, it is 40 inches tall, with excellent branching, characteristics seldom associated with Oncobreds. Usually 3 long branches, one short one, the lowest being rebranched. Finally, unlike most Oncobreds, it blooms late. Good pollen. [Butterfly Wings X Chivalry]. Reg. \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

RIPPLES E to M-36" An immense hybrid with blooms 7 to 8 inches across, with superb form and substance. Falls broad, flaring, waved. A lovely shade of old lilac with hafts and margins around standards and falls blended olive yellow. Sets seed.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

★**SESPE** (Walker '52) M-54" Not exceeded in vigor by any other Oncobred. At the A.I.S. convention in 1956 I saw this growing in originator Walker's garden beside an Orange tree laden with golden fruit, and with Sespe reaching up to a height of 6 feet. A graceful greenish-yellow with nicely flaring falls, excellent substance. HC'49 [Brown Betty X Fort Knox].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

★**SLICK CHICK** (Linse '54) ML-36" A snow white baby of Lady Mohr. Jack Linse considers it the most significant thing he has developed, one every serious breeder of the Mohr family will need. Pure white with a greenish mid-rib; beard white. Pollen plentiful, fertile, also sets seed so its great significance may prove to be as a breeder and as the fertile key that will open the door to countless new and lovely things. [Lady Mohr X Snoqualmie].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

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- ★ **BUSTER BROWN** 8" A bitone. Standards maple sugar brown, falls dark reddish brown. Heavy, long-time bloomer. HM'55. \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- ★ **CARPATIA** (Schreiner) 4" A midget. Standards light yellow, falls olive yellow. Floriferous. Boon to every hybridizer. Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**
- ★ **CHERRY SPOT** (Welch '56) 7" Bright bicolor. Pure white standards, falls white edged, large cherry-red center. HM'56; RU-Caparne Award '58 [(G-504 x G-509) X (Cook 1546 x Carpathia)] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**
- ★ **GAY LASSIE** (Welch '56) 7" First "little Pinnacle" in Dwarfs. White standards, yellow falls bordered white. White beard. Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**
- ★ **HEATHERBLOOM** 6" Largest red Dwarf. A striking Hydrangea red, domed standards, dark velvety falls. Unusual. Pollen abundant. Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- ★ **INKY** 7" At last a high-quality really black dwarf. Standards black-violet; falls soot black, contrasting orange beard. Hardy. Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**
- ★ **LITTLE MOHEE** (Grapes '54) 5" Delightful blended brown bitone. Standards light brown, falls chestnut brown with narrow border of yellow. HM'54; RU-Caparne Award '58 [Orange Queen X Pumila] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**
- ★ **LITTLE VILLAIN** (Welch '54) 6" Visualize a pure white beard on a dark black-violet, horizontal falls. A real eye-catcher! Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55**
- ★ **MELLITA** 5" Rare species valued by hybridizers; chromosomes will pair with Tall Bearded. Standards ivory, falls tinged brown. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**
- ★ **ORANGE GLINT** (Welch '53) 7" Deep orange-yellow - deepest yellow in dwarfs. Beard orange. Excellent parent. HM'53. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.55**
- ★ **RED GEM** (Welch '56) 7" First red in the superior new race. Crimson bitone, velvety falls. HM'56; Dwarf Award Special Merit '56. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**
- ★ **ROSE BLUSH** 5" Largest-flowered Dwarf, spread of 5 inches. Lavender pink, spreading falls. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**
- ★ **SPARKLING EYES** (Welch '54) 7" First true amoena in dwarfs. Standards pure white, falls blue-violet with white border. Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.85; 3 for \$5.25**
- ★ **SULINA** 4" A midget in deep violet-blue, blackish violet signal, lilac-blue beard. Pollen is blue. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50**
- ★ **VERI-GAY** (Welch '54) 6" Standards bright yellow, falls reddish, yellow border; beard orange. Caparne Award '58. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45; 10 for \$10**

Dwarfs below are 75c each; on \$10 order: **50c each; 3 different or alike \$1.45**
On \$10 order: **10 different for only \$3.95; 10 alike only \$3.75**

- ★ **AZUREA** 6" Delightful, fairly large, sky blue, prettily veined lilac. Beard white.
- ★ **BLAZON** 7" A masterpiece! Deepest maroon, bright gold beard, spur & embroidery.
- ★ **BLUE BAND** 6" Neat, very blue bitone, white beard. Profuse pollen.
- ★ **BURCHFIELD** 7" Heavy blooming intense orange-yellow. My favorite!
- ★ **CRETICA** 4" Tiny bright pink-mauve, lilac beard. Pollen blue, plentiful.
- ★ **FIOR DEL MONDO** 11" Striking variegata. Yellow & ochre yellow, splashed dark red.
- ★ **GRACILIS** 9" Strange grey & creamy-tan aphylla hybrid.
- ★ **LAVENDER DAWN** 5" Long-season prize lilac; best for foliage ground cover.
- ★ **MIST O'PINK** 9" Bright rose-pink, neat wide-extended falls. Beard yellow.
- ★ **MOON GLEAM** 7" See Ektachrome. Very superior, large light yellow.
- ★ **NIOBE** 7" Only inexpensive "black." Dark smoky violet, beard lemon-white.
- ★ **PROMISE** 4" Finest pearly-mauve pink, wide horizontal falls.
- ★ **TRINKET** - Splendid dark yellow self, well formed.

For the GREEN Dwarfs and Medians see page 27

Varied DWARF Collections

MY FAVORITE DWARFS — SPECIAL NO. 35 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the precious little Dwarfs for **\$5.00, \$10.00, or \$25.00**, as you prefer.

FANCIER'S DE LUXE COLOR GEMS — SPECIAL NO. 36 — Any 3, **\$2.95**; Any 4, **\$4.25**; Any 5, **\$5.95**; All 6, **\$6.95**: Ablaze, Buster Brown, Carpathia, Gay Lassie, Little Mohee, Veri-Gay.

BEGINNER'S RAINBOW RIOT — SPECIAL NO. 37 — Any 4 for **\$1.95**; Any 6, **\$2.95**; All 8, **\$3.95**: Blue Band, Burchfield, Cretica, Fior del Mondo, Heatherbloom, Lavender Dawn, Little Villian, Mist o'Pink.

4 Types of MEDIANS to Follow Your Season Thru

Earliest — LILLIPUTS — March - April - May Bloom

Multiple bloom stalks give heavy long season, starting very early with last of Dwarfs.

- ★ **BARIA** 10" Lovely light yellow. Long heavy bloom. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**
- ★ **FAIRY FLAX** 11" Clear flax blue, white beard. Spreads like magic. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**
- ★ **GARNET TREASURE** 8" Finest red Lilliput; makes carpet of blooms. Standards wine-red; falls flaring, deep garnet. Very showy. Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3, \$2.40**
- ★ **PIGMY GOLD** 12" Brilliant yellow, flaring, velvety. Begins with Dwarfs, lasts until Tall Bearded. Very fragrant. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.75**
- ★ **TINKERBELL** 12" Flaring blue, deeper blue in center of falls. Ruffled, lovely. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.75**

Varied INTERMEDIATES — April - May Bloom

Plant back of your edging of Dwarfs & Lilliputs. They fill blooming gap between Lilliputs & Talls.

- ★ **RUBY GLOW** 22" Velvety ruby-red, orange beard. 75c, \$10 order, **50c; 3, \$1.45**
- ★ **SNOW MAIDEN** 12" Pure white, very fragrant. 60c; \$10 order, **40c; 3, \$1.15**
- ★ **ST. OSYTH** 26" Duck-egg blue self — most beautiful blue intermediate. Pollen potent. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

Useful BORDER IRIS — May - June Bloom

Resemble Talls but are under 30", so plant in front of Talls for professional effects.

- ★ **CHERRY FALLS** (Douglas '53) ML-24" Aglow with life and fire. Bright yellow standards, erect, firm. Brilliant velvety cherry-red falls give a dash and radiance. Hard to beat for edgings and low clumps for accent. Pollen abundant. HM'53 — [(Extravaganza x Pail-lasse) X (Extravaganza x Wabash)] Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**
- ★ **COPPER ORANGE** M-20" Intense coppery orange above near-scarlet. Most vivid iris for so modest a price. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**
- ★ **GOLD INTENSITY** (Austin '54) EM-22" Intense smooth yellow above very deep orange yellow, orange beard. Heavy bloomer, often 3 blooms out at once. Use for arrangements. Good pollen. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**
- ★ **MIRAGE** (Reinhart '56) M-24" New, fascinating color break in plicatas. Standards and falls reddish-black violet; edging of yellow on both. Bright daffodil yellow at haft ending in a point at end of beard; white blaze in center. Really novel! [Royal Scot X (Orloff x Elsa Sass)] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.00**
- ★ **ORANGE TWOTONE** (Austin '53) EM-24" Deep yellow above bright reddish-orange, bright yellow edging. Pollen abundant. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.45; 3 for \$4.15**
- ★ **PINK RUFFLES** M-27" Exquisite lilac-pink, ruffled. 60c; \$10 order **40c; 3, \$1.10**
- ★ **RAJAH** (Smith '44) EM-20" Bright yellow standards. Falls deep red, with brilliant crimson flush. Large, nicely rounded flowers. Well branched, heavy bloomer [Cadetou X Marvellous]. In life-like color. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**
- ★ **ROSE PEARL** E to M-28" My personal favorite. Standards opalescent ivory pink; falls deep rose, gilded gold. Long blooming period. Reg. \$1, on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- ★ **SULTAN'S ARMOUR** (Edmison '54) M-24" Finest border iris and the only brown. Rich, brilliant brown, free of haft markings; stiff horizontal falls, 2" broad at hafts. Try mixed in with Flamingo pinks. Regularly \$3.75; on \$10 order **\$2.50; 3 for \$6.40**
- ★ **VALIANT OLA** (Noyd '55) E-M-24" "Arranger's delight in yellow and white"—like a miniature Ola Kala, small white signal. Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

For Arrangements — TABLE IRIS — May - June Bloom

Best iris to grow for table decoration and picturesque arrangements.

- ★ **CRICKET** (Knowlton '58) ML-22" Stunning, unusual variegata. Yellow above beautiful velvety brown & burnt sienna. Pollen good. HM'58. Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**
- ★ **LODESTAR** (Hall) M-24" My favorite of all Table Iris. An eye-catching variegata. Standards bright yellow; falls dark scarlet, edged yellow. Possesses a brightness, clarity of color and contrast hardly equaled, and one I eagerly await each spring. You'll do the same! Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**
- ★ **NAMBE** M-21" Blue and gold effect. Golden Empire yellow above Hortense violet; margin Empire yellow. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- ★ **PRECIOUS GEM** M-24" Lovely rose plicata with stitching of mulberry rose. One you will fall in love with. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- ★ **PRECIOUS JEWEL** M-34" Dainty violet-red bitone, falls darker than standards, edged brown. Distinctive. Regularly 60c; on \$10 order **40c; 3 for \$1.00**
- ★ **WIDGET** 24" Whimsical baby white plicata, so naive you will adore it. Imagine its usefulness in arrangements. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.35**

MY FAVORITE MEDIAN IRIS — SPECIAL NO. 38

— Explained on page 2.

I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the Lilliputs, Intermediates, Border and Table Iris for **\$5.00, \$10.00, or \$25.00**, as you prefer.

A real eye-catcher

RAJAH

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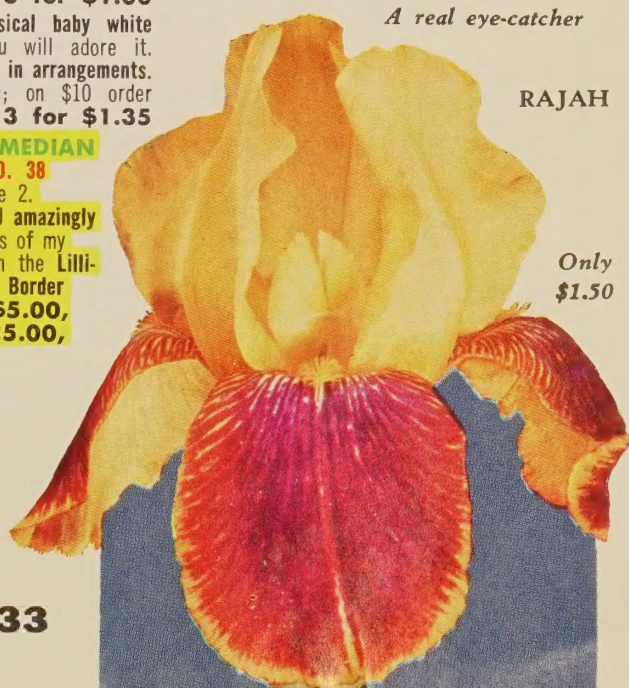


MOON GLEAM

75c

SULINA

\$1.50



Exotic ARIL IRIS

ONCOS, ONCOGELIAS & REGELIAS—For APRIL-MAY Bloom

CULTURE and HARDINESS: (Only very brief, as full directions accompany all shipments). Arils need sun, basic soil, good drainage & dry summers. If you have summer rain, dig in June & store in dry sand until about Oct. 1.

SHIPPING AND PLANTING TIMES: Aril rhizomes are shipped in late summer or fall, in a dry bulblike condition. But order what you want NOW, by Air Mail, before supplies are exhausted.

ONCOS — None available as rhizomes this year. Future listings uncertain. Seeds available as follows:

HAND-POLLINATED ARIL SEEDS — Due to the current heavy concentration of my hybridizing activities in the field of reblooming Summer and Fall Bloomers, I am holding completely in abeyance, for several years, the very extensive breeding work I have had under way for the past 12 years aimed at the creation of ever-finer new true **Oncos**, **Oncogelias** and **Regelias**. Due to this present period of inactivity in the Aril hybridization field, I am at the moment willing to release to my valued customers, at very low prices, a portion of my treasured **hand-pollinated** seed resulting from almost all imaginable combinations of the **finest Arils in existence** — crosses made in the world's only complete collection of Aril species and hybrids. As **thousands** of crosses are represented, I obviously cannot list them here. Just specify if YOU want seeds to yield new **ONCOS**, **ONCOGELIAS** or **REGELIAS**, or all three. All seeds are **\$1.00 per packet** of 10 seeds, labeled with exact parentage. Minimum order 3 packets; **12 packets only \$10.00; 70 packets, \$50.00;** all different. (While they last.)

The Amazing **ONCOGELIAS** — Aril Hybrids

AGATHA E-20" Named for a Sicilian virgin saint of the 3rd century, often invoked against the ancient storms. Her modern counterpart has silvery standards flushed heliotrope, veined in dark violet. Falls silvery white, with heavy violet-black veins sharply etched, and radiating from very **large triangular maroon-black signal patches**. The flower is so large and the signal so prominent, it reminds one of finest true **Oncos**. Very outstanding!..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

✳ **ALLEGRIA** E-15" Probably the **reddest** of all **Oncogelias** and certainly **one of the most striking and Onco-like**. In fact, many of our visitors exclaim at the wonderful red "Onco" that they have found. While the parentage indicates that it contains Tall Bearded blood, its characteristics seem to be largely those of **Oncogelias**. Order early. A beauty, easy to grow. [Artemis X Ricardi]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.05**

ANDROMACHE (An-drom'a-ke) VE to E-18" In Homer's Iliad, Andromache was devoted wife of Hector. Now a princess clothed in **silvery white and violet**, with a soft lilac veil. Heavy decorative veining. Signal patch claret-black, prominent, like an Onco. Style crests wine-red, effectively setting off the flower. Has pollen, sets seed. [Korolkowi Violaecae X Mariae]. **See in color**....\$1; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

✳ **ARTEMIS** (Ar'te-mis) VE-20" Named for Greek Goddess of the Chase, known for healing and averting plagues. Today's namesake will soothe your troubled thoughts and avert stagnation in any garden. One of the **richest and deepest colored of Oncogelias**. Ground silvery cream, overlaid and veined in bright, yet dark carmine-violet. **Thrives better under summer dampness than any other Oncogelia**. [Korolkowi Violaecae X Mariae]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

CHARON (Kar'on) EE-16" Stands apart due to **entrancing unique golden bronze tints** and its **extreme earliness**. Standards light buff, flushed dark crimson, impressively veined in mahogany. Falls golden buff, veined in dark reddish mahogany, with **large black-mahogany signal**. Flower **glitters as if sprinkled with gold dust**. One of very finest for hybridizing. Pollen bright yellow, plentiful. [Korolkowi Concolor X Atropurpurea]. **In lifelike color**..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

✳ **EUNICE** E-14" Eunice was a Jewess of Lystra, in New Testament as mother of Timothy. And now we know Eunice, the **Oncogelia**. Nearly a self with pale **whitish pink** petals having **fine dark red veins** and a **dark crimson signal** changing to nearly black in center. **Petals sparkle as if dusted with silver**. Pollen blue, plentiful. [Korolkowi Concolor X Iberica]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

✳ **ISIS** (I'sis) E-14" In mythology, Isis was universal mother of nature, mistress of the elements. In the garden she'll be wearing a bright violet carmine blouse and skirt of light maroon. As ornaments, signal patches of blackish maroon, and a black beard. **AM Royal Hort. Soc.** [Korolkowi violaecae X Iberica Van Houttei]..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.30**

LUNA EE-18" A favorite of visitors. Deep red-violet veins entrancingly etched on a smooth creamy ground, delightfully flushed with pink and lavender. Rich splash of purplish **black plush** in center of falls. Pollen green. Prized by hybridizers; **best seed setter of Oncogelias**. [Korolkowi violaecae X Susiana]. **See in color**..... Regularly \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

✳ **PARTHENOPE** (Par-then'o-pe) VE-15" The mythical Parthenope, one of the three Sirens, charmed admirers with her songs. The charm of the modern Parthenope lies in her lace-like veil. Decorative lace-work is particularly pronounced. Petals **pure white, sparkling** as if dusted with silver; **veins in dark mulberry and maroon**. Signal patch black-maroon. **Beard black, anthers chartreuse**..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

PERSIAN BRONZE (Austin '56) E-18" An intriguing new **Oncogelia** of unique form and the **only one that is clearly intermediate between the Onco and Regelia types** in its ancestry. A beautiful bronze self, lightly flushed with lilac, and having a lacework of dark brown veins. An **Onco-like brownish-black signal patch** decorates each fall. Sets seed. Very rugged and easy to grow. A great increaser. [Teucros X Aurantica]. **Honorable Mention 1957**..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

PERSIAN TWOTONE (Austin '58) VE-20" Standards large, waved, **silvery white**, flushed pinkish-lilac, finely veined and dotted violet. Buff cream ground of falls obscured by **heavy dotting and veining in maroon**, giving a bronze effect. **Beauty spot maroon-black, very prominent, 5/8" in diameter**. [Teucros X Onco Seedling No. H-16-0]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

TEUCROS EM-18" Standards melting lilac-pink, with fine dark pink veins. Falls **glistening silvery white, flushed pink**, decorated with fine maroon veins, maroon signal. Beard maroon-black. **Seedparent of both of my 1956 Oncogelias, Persian Lace and Persian Bronze. AM, Holland**.....\$1; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

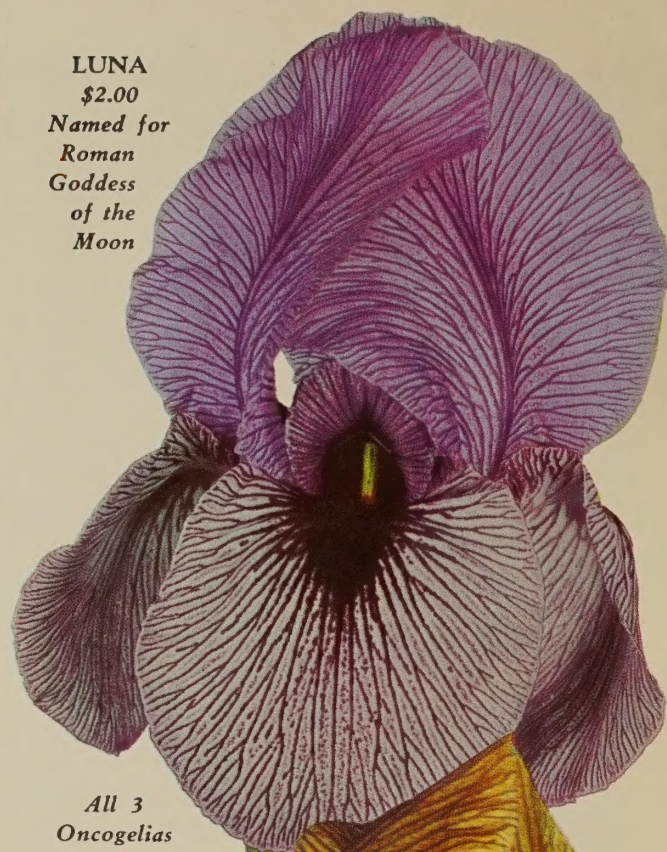
THESEUS (The'sus) EM-21" Theseus was chief Attic hero, who conquered the Amazons, married their queen. Standards **deep amethyst pink**, veined dark mulberry. Falls similar, with a silvery white border, **signal and beard in black**. Yields **fertile pollen**. **Latest bloomer of Oncogelias**, coinciding with early midseason Tall Bearded; timed right for exhibiting at most Iris shows..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

✳ **ULYSSES** (U-lis'ez) E-16" Ulysses is the Greek hero of the Odyssey, supposedly written by Homer about 1000 B.C. Name is taken by **pinkest of Oncogelias, one of very largest**. Not a true pink, as there are none yet, but pinker than any heretofore available. Standards mallow pink with fine wine-red veins. Falls blended pink and white with fine maroon veins, **maroon-black signal, black beard**. **Lovely**. Excellent seed setter, plenty of pollen. F. C. C. Award, Haarlem..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

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Goddess
of the
Moon



All 3
Oncogelias
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Hardy **REGELIAS** of Turkestan

HYBRIDS WITH DECORATIVE BEARDS: Even more thrill-producing than the exotic Regelia species themselves are the rare hybrids of different Regelias: **Bronze Beauty**, **Lucia**, **Orestes** and **Vulcanus**. Outstanding for their colorful decorative beards, unlike those found in any other Iris. Try crosses aimed to transfer these unique beards to other types of Iris. See "Decorative Beards" in my Manual, page 23.

✪ **BLUE JOY** E-18" Variant of Hoogiana improved in color and form. Uniform light blue, with almost none of lavender prominent in usual forms. Falls wider, more flaring, giving character to the bloom. Heavy seed setter. \$1; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

✪ **BRONZE BEAUTY** E-24" Newest, largest and tallest of Regelias. The only distinct bicolor. Standards golden bronze veined in lavender. Falls long, narrow, dark wine-red, edged bronze. Beard cream, pointed. Gently waved. Utterly different! Heavy seed setter. [Hoogiana X Stolonifera]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.40**

✪ **DECORATED DELIGHT** E-20" One of the most fascinating of the forms of Stolonifera. The one singled out and ordered more

than any by our garden visitors. Unlike all other forms except Decorated Giant, this has white standards, heavily bordered with decorative veinings of pure brown. Falls bright rosy lavender, bordered and veined in brown. Striking and distinctive white beard. Dainty, beautifully ruffled flowers superb for corsages and arrangements. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$1.90**

EXPERT OPINION: "Decorated Delight was the loveliest of all Regelias, a real beauty." Earl Roberts, Indianapolis, Ind.

DECORATED GIANT E-16" Very similar to the sensational Decorated Delight, but nearly twice as large and even more attractive. Standards amethyst-white, bordered with a beautiful rufous-chocolate edging and sharp veining. Falls velvety mahogany, veined dark crimson, and highlighted with a bright lilac-rose signal. Beard very prominent, almost pure white, flanked by white hafts strongly veined in golden brown. Stunning! A super de luxe variant of Stolonifera. You need it in your crossing. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.10; 3 for \$3.15**

HOOGIANA PURPUREA E-24" A rich, royal purple self, different from all others, with a deeper purple signal and a yellow beard. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

✪ **KOROLKOWI BROWN & GREEN** VE-E-18" Strangest of Regelias, giving one a feeling of the mystery of the Himalayas. Imagine flowers of silvery white, merging to maroon at base. Signal lustrous dark chocolate with a green iridescence. Beard brown. Beautifully veined in brown. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3, \$3.20; 10, \$7.50**

KOROLKOWI PINK VE-E-20" One of the many exclusive offerings available only at Rainbow Gardens. The pinkest and heaviest bloomer of Regelias. Standards and falls creamy-pink, with prominent maroon veins; a beautiful lavender-blue beard. Has pollen; a heavy seed setter. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

LATE AMETHYST EM-M-20" Selected form of Hoogiana. Blooms later than any other Regelia, with Tall Bearded. Both flower lovers and hybridizers like this late-blooming habit. A large, lovely clear amethyst blue, flushed deep amethyst in center. Distinctive. Pollen plentiful. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

✪ **LUCIA** (Lu-ci'a) E-20" Every spring the ladies go wild over this in my garden. A delightful pomegranate or wine red with the most striking beard imaginable—a gay, yet deep violet blue, the bluest beard of any Iris. Graceful flowers with narrow, erect standards, narrow down-hanging falls. A merry personality if there ever was one. Pollen bright green, becoming scarce. [Korolkowi X Stolonifera]. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.70**

ORESTES (O-res'tez) VE E-18" In mythology, Orestes was son of Clytemnestra, brother of Electra. Today it is a Regelia Hybrid milady can use most appropriately in a corsage, or by itself. A uniform rich red-mahogany, tastefully decorated with brown beard, high-lighted with bright violet iridescence. Gracefully frilled, waved, just right for decorating an evening gown. The earliest Regelia. [Korolkowi X Stolonifera]. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.30**

✪ **RED, WHITE & BLUE** (Austin '57) E-20" I have long sought an Iris in patriotic colors. At last it appeared as a variant of Stolonifera. Falls rich dark velvety red, light red border. Standards contrasting white, strongly edged and veined chocolate brown. Beard lilac-blue. Style crests mahogany rose. Resembles my Decorated Giant, but has redder standards and a bluer beard. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.20; 3 for \$3.05**

✪ **VULCANUS** (Vul-kan'us) E-17" Named for Greek God of fire, flame and volcanic eruption, this is a bronzy scarlet tinted with crimson. Beard dark blue. Thrives better under summer dampness than any other Regelia. [Korolkowi X Stolonifera]. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.15**

MY FAVORITE ONCOGELIAS — SPECIAL NO. 50 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in Oncogelias for **\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00, as you prefer.**

MY FAVORITE REGELIAS — SPECIAL NO. 51 — Similar to above, but in the delightful Regelias, for **\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00, as you prefer.**

MY FAVORITE ARLIS — SPECIAL NO. 52 — Similar to above but including both Oncogelias and Regelias for **\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00, as you prefer.**

"FIRST TRY" ONCOGELIAS — SPECIAL NO. 53 — Andromache, Artemis, Isis, Teucros, and Theseus, 5 for only **\$3.50**

BRONZE BEAUTY

BLUE JOY

**KOROLKOWI
PINK**



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Altamohr	29	Decorated Delight	35	Little Beth	5	Purissamohr	32
Alta Rosa	28	Decorated Giant	35	Little Freak	23	Queen's Lace	11
Amazing Grace	12	Dirty Face	27	Little Mohee	33	Radiation	8
American Modern	32	Dolly Varden	6	Little Villain	33	Rainier Valley	19
Andromache	34	Dorothea	23	Lodestar	33	Rajah	33
Annette	6	Double Duty	25	Lois Craig	26	Real Gold	32
Anthea	6	Doxa	27	Lottie Lembrich	19	Real Harmony	19
Apricot Glory	8	Dreamy	10	Lucia	35	Red Gem	33
Apricot Supreme	8	Easternmohr	29	Luna	34	Red Joppa	29
Arcadia Buttercup	28	Eastmont	23	Madam Mohr	29	Red Ray	26
Arctic Blush	5	Eliz. Huntington	29	Madam Light	30	Red, White & Blue	35
Artemis	34	Elmohr	29	Majnun	30	Remember Me	11
August Indian	24	Enchanted Lace	11	Margaret Cruise	32	Rhythm	36
August Waves	24	Enchantress	19	Marsala	5	Ripples	32
Autumn Afternoon	24	Engraved	29	Marsha Kay	19	Rose Blush	33
Autumn Bronze	25	Etching	29	Mary Randall	7	Rose Delight	8
Autumn Delight	25	Ethel Peckham	24	Mary Valentine	30	Rosemohr	32
Autumn Elf	24	Eunice	34	Master Neil	31	Rose Pearl	33
Autumn Flame	26	Fair Enough	26	May Hall	7	Rose Sails	8
Autumn Orchid	25	Fairy Flax	33	Mellita	33	Royal Band	26
Autumn Princess	25	Fall Flamingo	25	Melody Lane	8	Ruby Glow	33
Autumn Queen	24	Fall Frills	25	Memories	7	Ruffled Apache	11
Autumn Snowdrift	25	Fall Primrose	24	Memphis Belle	7	Ruffled Gem	11
Autumn Sunset	25	Fall Surprise	25	Menominee	27	Russet Wings	11
Autumn Twilight	24	Fall Velvet	25	Mint Julep	9	Russian Bronze	28
Azurea	33	Improved	26	Mirage	33	Ruth	11
Bali Agha	30	Fancy Rhythm	29	Mishawaka	27	Saffron Charm	32
Ballerina	6	Fancywork	29	Mission Rose	7	Sally Ann	27
Ball Gown	26	Fantasy	6	Miss Utah	7	Sangreal	24
Bamboo	19	Fior del Mondo	33	Mist o'Pink	33	San Pasqual	28
Baria	33	Flamboyance	29	Moab	31	Savage	27
Barre Beauty	24	Flaming Gold	5	Mohr Affair	31	Scarlet Tiger	26
Barrimohr	19	Flamingo Bay	6	Mohr Beauty	31	Sept. Pastel	25
Bearded Lady	26	Flirtation	6	Mohr Courageous	31	Sept. Sparkler	24
Beau Catcher	26	Flurry Mohr	23	Mohr Elegance	19	Sespe	32
Beisan Aga	30	For Sure	29	Mohresque	19	Short Song	19
Bel-Air	28	Frances Craig	29	Mohr Glorious	31	Sikhmohr	32
Bella Mohr	23	Fuchsia	6	Mohrloff	31	Slick Chick	32
Benton Cordelia	6	Gala	11	Mohr Majesty	32	Snow Fairy	27
Benton Oberon	6	Garden Gold	5	Mohrning Dove	32	Snow Maiden	33
Benton Olive	9	Garnet Glow	5	Mohr Velvet	31	Song of Songs	11
Benton Ophelia	6	Garnet Treasure	33	Moon Gleam	33	Sparkling Eyes	33
Black Joppa	30	Gay Apparel	11	Moonchild	31	Sprinktime	28
Blarney	27	Gay Lassie	33	Moon Goddess	26	Madonna	28
Blazon	33	Gay Paree	5	Morning Blue	31	SQ-72	19
Blue Abalone	29	Gersdorff-Clematis	26	Mount Timp	26	Stolonifera	19
Blue Band	33	Giant Cleat	36	Mulberry Snow	4	St. Osyth	33
Blue Debut	10	Giant Mohr	30	Mystic Legend	21	Strathmore	8
Blue Drury	28	Gibson Girl	24	Nambe	27	Sugarplum	11
Blue Frost	33	Glowing Amber	26	Nappanee	33	Sulina	33
Blue Joy	35	Glowport	26	Native Dancer	7	Sultan's Armour	33
Blue Mascot	26	Gold Intensity	33	New Look	31	Summer Sun	28
Blue Parakeet	9	Gold Smoke	19	Night Moth	31	Summer Surprise	24
Blue River	28	Golden Butterfly	19	Niobe	33	Sunset Pink	28
Blue Surprise	25	Gracelle	11	Noel	28	Tally-Ho	19
Blumohr	29	Gracilis	33	Nomohr	31	Tangerine Carnival	5
Bonita Blue	32	Green Chance	9	No-Top	23	Tangerine Snow	5
Bright Fuchsia	6	Green Dragon	25	October Blaze	26	Tatai Pasha	30
Bronze Beauty	35	Greenglow	9	October Shadows	24	Technicolor	28
Buckthorn Brown	26	Green Goddess	27	Oklahoma	9	Temple Bells	8
Burchfield	33	Green Halo	27	Olive Orchid	32	Teucros	34
Buster Brown	33	Green Hat	9	Orange Creamo	8	Thanksgiving	27
Butterfly Wings	29	Green Hope	26	Orange Glint	33	Firelight	27
Butterscotch Kiss	10	Green Ivory	9	Orange Twotone	33	Theseus	34
California Pink	28	Green Mohr	32	Orchid & Flame	28	Thor	19
Camilla	19	Green Pastures	9	Orchid Ruffles	11	Thurlof Weed	23
Canaan	19	Green Pheasant	32	Orestes	35	Tinkerbell	33
Candy Kid	10	Green Spot	27	Oriental Magic	31	Top Flight	8
Capitola	29	Gussie	11	Oriental Pearl	7	Tournament Queen	28
Carabella	26	Halloween Night	26	Pagan Princess	7	Tranquility	9
Caribou Trail	10	Happy Birthday	7	Palomino	8	Trinket	33
Carissima	10	Harvest Blue	26	Papoose	24	Truly Fair	8
Carmela	10	Heather Angel	29	Parachute #2	31	Truly Yours	11
Carpathia	33	Heatherlands	26	Paradise Pink	7	Twenty Grand	11
Cascadian	9	Heatherbloom	33	Party Dress	11	Two For Tea	24
Casino	29	Helen Louise	19	Parvar	19	Ulysses	34
Cerulean	19	Hera	19	Peach Sherbet	31	Unicorn	4
Champagne Velvet	26	Hermione	19	Peppermint Pink	19	Valiant Oia	33
Chantilly	10	Hi-Time	19	Hoogiana purpurea	35	Valganza	19
Char-Maize	9	Hoogiana	19	Horned Rosyred	4	Veiled in Mystery	9
Charon	34	Horned Rosyred	4	Horned Royalty	4	Veri-Gay	33
Chenik Aga	30	Horned Rubyfalls	4	Horned Seedling	4	Viveza	19
Cherry Falls	33	Horned Skylark	4	Horned Twotone	4	Vulcanus	35
Cherry Flip	6	Horned Twotone	4	ib-Mac, True	29	Wedding Bouquet	23
Cherry Spot	33	Imam Ahmid	30	Cliffdell	10	Western Hills	27
Clara B	10	Imam Jaban	30	Cloudcap	6	Whisperwood	27
Clematis	23	Imam Salah	30	Color Carnival	6	White Admiral	9
Clementina	36	Inky	33	Color Magic	9	White Alone	26
Cliffdell	10	Isis	34	Color Riot	28	White Parasol	36
Cloudcap	6	Jabal Kerak	30	Conquest	29	Whitene	27
Color Carnival	6	Jalla Effendi	30	Convention Queen	10	Wide Awake	8
Color Magic	9	Joppa Parrot	30	Copper Orange	33	Widget	33
Cora	28	Joseph's Mantle	26	Coronation	32	Wm. Mohr, Giant	32
Cora	28	July Beauty	24	Crape Suzette	10	Winged Fuchsia	8
Cora	28	June Bride	11	Cretica	33	Winged Goddess	9
Cora	28	June Meredith	7	Cricket	33	Wings of Flight	4
Cora	28	Kalifa Baltis	30	Crinkled Ribbon	10	Winter Flame	28
Cora	28	Kalifa Fatima	30	Crispette	10	Witch Doctor	32
Cora	28	Kalifa Gulnare	30	Cuba Libre	23	Yellow Lace	11
Cora	28	Kalifa Kabul	30			Yellow Organdy	11
Cora	28	Korolkowis	35			Yussuf	19
Cora	28	Laban Effendi	30			Zebra	23
Cora	28					Zebulon	32
Cora	28					Zua	23
Cora	28					Zulu Warrior	27

✪ = Choice of inexpensive varieties, especially recommended for beginners.

Do you delight in solving mysteries and ferreting out secrets? See page 20.

CLEMENTINA



GIANT CLEMATIS



4 GIANT FLAT-BEARDED IRIS

Also see page 23 for other Flat Bearded Iris

CLEMENTINA (Austin '55) EM-34" Huge, heavily-marbled Oncobred. As flower opens it is often nearly normal, but within a day or two many flowers flatten out so both standards and falls are nearly horizontal. These immense flowers sometimes have a spread up to 9 inches. Unique flat Iris blooms ideal for shallow container on dining table. Named **CLEMENTINA** due to striking resemblance to clematis blossoms. Either flat or in normal form the marbled coloring is so exquisite I had more requests for this before introduction than any other seedling. A heavy bloomer, producing a mass of flowers. From a seed embryo-cultured for me by Dr. L. F. Randolph. All six petals have beards. In great demand for corsages, for which it is simply superb. Most coveted of all at our great Iris Show at Weinstock-Lubin's in Sacramento. A splendid seed setter, producing good seed for me when crossed with Gatesii, Capitola and Ib-Mac True. [Snow Flurry X Capitola] \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**
On \$10 order **Clementina & Rhythm for only \$5.95**

CLEMENTINA

*It draws a crowd by being big With 9 inch spread... An oncobred
This marbled giant's flat Just made to marvel at!*

—George Nicholas Rees

RHYTHM (Ballard '54) M to ML-24" A phenomenal break in Iris form. A flat Iris with six bearded falls. A whimsical freak of nature, entirely without the usual 3 standards characterizing normal Iris. A novel item for arrangement fans. While not highly fertile, some seedlings have been produced; thus offers a challenge to adventurous breeders eager to get this distinctive form in various bright new colors. Be the first to accomplish this. A diploid with 24 chromosomes. [Alcazar x Archeveque] X Candelabra] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

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GIANT CLEMATIS (Austin '58) M-32" Resembles a giant Clematis flower much more than it does an Iris. It is immense in size, commonly producing flowers 9 inches across. While most Iris have only three beards, this has six. Many who see this giant flat flower for the first time think it is a Japanese Iris, but actually it is an Oncobred and a most unusual one. The form is somewhat similar to my widely-acclaimed Clementina but petals much wider and fuller, resulting in a flat flower with a circumference that is almost a perfect circle. \$20; on \$25 order **\$17.50; with White Parasol \$19.95**

WHITE PARASOL (Mrs. R. M. Wolf '58) M-ML-38" From high up in the Colorado Rockies comes this magnificent flat white. A huge snow-white flower often up to 9", that flattens out much like a white parasol. Displayed as a guest Iris at '57 A.I.S. Convention, Memphis, so many Iris fanciers are already aware of its spontaneous appeal. Unlike most of the older "flats," this would seem to be a tetraploid, judging from its vigor and great size. At one time was called "Flat Top." Will be in constant demand as a corsage flower, and for use indoors in large flat containers. Substance heavy. Pollen variable, sometimes good; sets seed, so will be used by hybridizers everywhere. [Spanish Peaks X Violet Symphony]. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 20. Planned as a \$25.00 introduction; as it is partially inconstant and variable when poorly established, or at end of season, it is released, while supply lasts, at only \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.95; 3 for \$17.70**

MEMPHIS CONVENTION REPORT: "Everyone was quite taken with a big flat Japanese type of iris named WHITE PARASOL." Helen McCaughey, in the 1957 Year-book of British Iris Society.

